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LOST CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Ludlow Man Appropriated His Neighbor's Poultry.

BETRAYED BY TRACKS IN THE SNOW.

Three Men Tell Beautiful Fairy Tale, But Fail to Convince the Court—Three Months.

Under ordinary circumstances it would be a pretty hard-hearted person who would deprive a family of its Christmas dinner, especially after it was partially ready for cooking. But the circumstances attending the loss of the one John Stone, Myron Pratt and Lewis Martin of Ludlow had planned were not of the ordinary. They had planned a poultry dinner on fowls belonging to Leonard Lyons of Ludlow Center, and had secured the fowls without the knowledge or consent of Mr. Lyons.

The case was heard in the Palmer district court Monday morning, and was productive of many amusing features Lyons, his brother and Officer Hall Storer of Ludlow told of following tracks in the snow from the building where the hens were kept to the woodshed door of the house occupied by Stone, where they ceased, with the toes pointing toward the door. Permission to search the house was given, and in the cellar were found four "partly alive" hens and three dead ones, partly dressed. In the woodshed the dog was making a meal on the entrails of the birds. Lyons knew the fowls were his by certain marks on those which were not wholly deceased. Stone and the others—including his wife and mother and two other women—denied all knowledge of the presence of the hens in the cellar.

The defendants desired to tell their story under oath, and their version of the affair was amusing, very. Stone lives near Ludlow Center; Martin is his brother-in-law and has been living and working with him They left home about 11 Saturday morning for Springfield, which they reached about 2 in the afternoon. They visited one of the large stores to buy some Christmas presents, a market where Stone purchasd some meat, and two saloons, where they had two drinks and Stone secured a quart of bottled Christmas cheer. This took them all the time up to 8 in the evening, when they started for home, and after leaving the electric at Ludlow they went straight home the nearest way not passing the Lyons farm. During the afternoon they had picked up Pratt, who became one of the party. The stories of all three agreed in the main, but they became tangled in some of the minor details under the questioning of Judge Kenefick. That they were engaged in a bad bit of lying was evident to the spectators.

Stone's explanation of the presence of the fowls in the cellar was a delightful concoction. Sunday night, after the birds had been taken away, about 7 o'clock a large man with a deep, heavy voice, a dark overcoat and a heavy dark mustache came to the shed door and asked if they had any chickens down cellar which didn't belong to them. He said he had won some at a raffle in Springfield the night before and had carried them as far as he had strength for, then placed them in the cellar for safekeeping but when he came for them again they had disappeared. Stone wasn't near enough the man to see his face, but could plainly distinguish the heavy dark mustache. The man was no one he had ever seen before, although he knew about everybody in that vicinity and could think of no man of the stranger's description who lived beyond him and would be likely to leave chickens at Stone's house on the way home. Pratt and Martin, who were in the house when the man called and further from him than Stone, who went to the door, saw the man plainly but couldn't place him, though Pratt thought he recalled having seen the fellow in Thorndike.

Judge Kenefick found all guilty of larceny and sentenced them to three months each in the house of correction. The sentence didn't seem to phase the men very much, and their interest seemed to center on how soon they would reach their boarding place.

STOLE CLOTHES AND MONEY.

But Has Little Use of Them and Is Now in Concord.

Frank Newman, employed for some time as a farm hand by Jerry Rourke, living east of Blanchardville, concluded that he could better his condition and so on Tuesday of last week appropriated $4 in money, a coat and vest and overcoat belonging to Mr. Rourke and skipped. Search was made for him in Monson, Stafford, Hartford and Springfield, and Friday, while sitting in the station waiting room in Springfield Mr. Rourke saw Newman at the other side of the room. He was gathered in by an officer at Mr. Rourke's request, and was brought to Palmer. His case was heard in the district court Saturday morning and he was sentenced to Concord.

Ware Man Dies of Lockjaw.

Michael Smith, 28, of Ware died Monday afternoon from an attack of lockjaw which developed on Tuesday of last week from the wound received on December 15. Smith was employed by his father in the saloon of James Smith & Co. on Water street, and was injured by splinters from a skid entering above his left eyelid when he fell in handling kegs of beer. Symptoms of tetanus developed on last week Tuesday and a consultation of physicians was called. There being no antitetanic serum in Ware, it was obtained in Springfield and the treatment was successful, but the strength of the patient gave out and he began to fail on Sunday. Physicians from Worcester and Springfield were called, but nothing could be done to save the young man. Mr. Smith leaves one sister, Elizabeth, besides his parents The funeral was held in All Saints' church Wednesday morning.

Probate Court Business.

At a session of the probate court in Springfield Wednesday, the following business of local interest was transacted: Wills proved of—Michael McNamara, late of Wilbraham, Michael Mack of Springfield, executor. Administration granted in the estates of—Joseph Thompson, late of Palmer, Thomas W. Kenefick of Palmer administrator; George Battye, late of Wales, Mary B. McKinnon of Wales administratrix; Eden R. Shaw, late of Wales, Alvin E. Shaw of Wales administrator. Accounts allowed—Clarrie Skinner, late of Monson.

Hampden Post Office Burglar Caught.

The third of the burglars who broke into the post office in Hampden several months ago, Fred Renny of West Springfield, was gathered in last week in Stroudsburg, Pa, and brought back to Massachusetts.

A WELL BRED DOG.

Raised By Two Men in Different Places at Different Times.

A dog case which possessed more than usual interest was tried in the district court Monday. If all the testimony can be believed it may be possible for dogs as well as cats to possess a multiplicity of lives. According to the solemn "So help me" of the witnesses, the animal in question was born in two places, several miles and two years apart.

The complainant was E. C. Thomas of Springfield and the defendant John Ventura of Ludlow; the charge was larceny. Thomas alleged that he bought the dog the day before Thanksgiving and lost him about two weeks ago near Red Bridge in Ludlow. The identity of the dog was vouched for by the breeder, a Blandford man, and the owner for four years previous to Thomas, each of whom were positive the dog was the one Thomas had bought.

On the other hand William Pero of Ludlow swore that he raised the dog some two years after the Blandford man said he had bred him, and sold him when eight months old to Ventura, who lost him seven months later. A couple of weeks ago the dog, which was running a fox on the mountain back of Pero's, left the track and came to his house, went to all his former haunts about the place and seemed to know and be glad to see all the members of the family. He notified Ventura, who took the animal home. He knew it was the dog he had raised and sold. There was no evidence of larceny and the defendant was dismissed. Judge Kenefick declined to rule as to the ownership of the dog and left the court room.

The dog was in court as evidence, and during the trial was turned over to the complainant's witnesses for examination, they retaining possession of him during the remainder of the trial. At the close, after the judge had gone, Thomas secured possession of the dog and refused to give it up until ordered to do so. Clerk of Courts Fitch was appealed to by the defendant's counsel to rule that the dog be returned to Ventura, who had brought it into court as evidence in the case, but he ruled that the possessor of the dog might keep it, the other man having redress in a writ of replevin if he desired to make a contest.

HEAVY SNOW STORM.

About 12 inches Falls, Accompanied by High Wind.

The worst snow storm of the season thus far began Tuesday afternoon following a rain. Snow fell all night and until late Wednesday forenoon, until about 12 inches had accumulated. A cold high wind accompanied the snow, and it drifted badly in many places. The storm was widespread, and from all sections have come reports of damage and delay. The cold was so intense Wednesday, and so penetrating because of the wind, that many who were compelled to be out were seriously affected. In Springfield there was one death and several prostrations. Street railways in all sections were hampered by the snow, and in some places cars which had reached remote distances were obliged to stay out all night Tuesday, while the schedules Wednesday were on the hit or miss order. The Springfield and Eastern road, as usual, was running on schedule time Wednesday morning with all tracks clear. The only line which did not maintain its schedule all day was that to Ludlow, and the trouble there was caused by waiting at Ludlow for the cars from Springfield, the Palmer cars remaining there until the connecting car arrived. The steam roads fared hard on account of the storm, the trains from all directions being late in consequence, some of them several hours.

True Merit Appreciated.

The following is from the Springfield Union of yesterday:

We have received a poem dedicated to the "Bard of New England;" in fact George Reuben Burleigh himself handed it to us. He says it was written by a school teacher in Ware and the Bard modestly admits it is "exceedingly complimentary" to him. Graciously waiving any emoluments that might accrue to himself from its publication, he has given us permission to publish it in full, but space forbids. We must content ourselves with a verse or two:

In the little town called Hampden
Ily the rippling river side
There is a man named George R. Burleigh
Of the place he is the pride

And the good George Reuben Burleigh
Far and near had won great fame
For upon the page of poets
At the top you'll find his name

Perhaps we would better stop right there. We think it is generally recognized in this section that no other poet can write the poetry that has made Mr. Burleigh's name so famous. A single sample will suffice:

Often I think of the place I was born
And the town where I was raised
But never will I look back with scorn
Where I held the plow and husked the corn.

While driving the cows I've often gazed
And have stopped and stood amazed
And looking out on nature's freaks
There o'er my countenance came no frown
I'll speak in praise of Palmer town.

If there are any who desire to read the rest of the poem and its probable praises of Palmer town, it is quite likely that they can be accommodated by applying to Mr. Burleigh; his address is Hampden. Mr. Burleigh at one time styled himself "Poet Laureate of the West and Bard of New England; author of the great one thousand line poem 'The Fair Julia, or From Home to the Poor House and Home Again.'" He published an advertising sheet in which the advertisements were written in rhyme by the publisher, and one of his advertisements for a wholesale liquor house began:

A little liquor now and then
Is relished by the best of men;
It drives the wrinkles out of care
And makes an ace look like two pair.

Thorndike Pool Match Started.

The much-talked-of pool match between the St. Mary's Total Abstinence Society and the Independent team of Thorndike was started at the society's rooms on Monday evening. Charles Bressette and M. I. Longtine, representing the Independents, defeated T. F. Sullivan and Peter Cahill Jr. of St. Mary's Society, by a score of 100 to 60 On Tuesday the second game was played at Massey's pool room. D Bressette and William LaPlante for the Independents defeated William Riley and M. F. Hurley of the society 100 to 61 In the third game at the society's rooms last evening, Charles E Walker and D. J. Sullivan won the first game for the society, from Fred Gebo and Martin Stokes by a score of 100 to 66, Walker scoring 62 and Sullivan 38. The summary:

Independents.	
B. Bresette,	77
D. Bresette,	57
W. LaPlante,	43
M. I. Longtine,	23
Fred Gebo,	37
Martin Stokes,	29
Total,	266

S. M. T. A. S.	
T. F. Sullivan,	32
P. Cahill Jr.,	28
W. Riley,	27
M. F. Hurley,	34
D J. Sullivan,	38
Charles E. Walker,	62
Total,	221

The match will be continued next week.

NEW CHURCH DEDICATED.

A Fine New Structure for the Ludlow Methodist.

COST IS SOMETHING OVER $12,000.

And Is Nearly All Paid For. Modern in Arrangement and Equipment Throughout.

The new Methodist Episcopal church at Ludlow was dedicated Wednesday, exercises being held in the afternoon beginning at 2 and in the evening at 7 30, there being a good attendance at both of the services. Bishop Daniel A. Goodsell of Brookline gave the dedication sermon in the afternoon, while in the evening Rev. E. M. Antrim of Springfield delivered the sermon. The Trinity church quartet sang at both services.

The new church presents an attractive appearance. It is of old English style, containing on the first floor an auditorium which will seat about 200, a pastor's study, and lecture room which can be thrown open as an overflow, seating about 150. The basement floor contains a woman's parlor, dining room, kitchen, storeroom, pantry and toilet rooms. The heating is done by a Kelsey warm-air furnace and the building throughout is lighted by electricity.

The matter of building a church in the village was first talked of about a year ago, and at a meeting held in the parsonage in February, it was voted to procure a building site and erect a church building. While this action was not wholly pleasing to many of the oldest members, who were bound by strong ties to the old building, most of them have, however, united in the effort to secure a new building. Rev. Eaton B Marshall, who was instrumental in starting the project of the new church, was transferred at the conference meeting on account of his wife's health, and Rev. Putnam Webber of Ware was chosen to proceed with the work, and he has worked faithfully to bring about the completion of the building. The following figures as given by Mr. Webber show the cost: The general cost of the structure was $9725; with furnishings $12,218.20; of this amount a debt of $2889 rested and at the meetings Wednesday fully $1000 was pledged by many who had already given generously. The ladies' aid society and Epworth league have pledged themselves for $1000 and $500, respectively. The building contractors were the H. P. Cummings company of Ware. The building committee were Rev. Putnam Webber, Edward E. Fuller, Charles S Browning and Merton R. Bennett.

Last evening there was a banquet to the visiting brethren and invited guests in the new church, covers being laid for 101. Presiding Elder W. G. Richardson of Springfield was present, and Rev. Putnam Webber gave the address of welcome and read letters from former pastors; among them were Rev. C. H. Vinton of Wilbraham, Rev. N. H. Morton of Marlboro, Rev. William Ferguson of Boston, Rev. W. H. Adams, Rev. George R. Durgin and Rev. Newton M. Clayton. Rev. Alfred Noone, one of the oldest and effective preachers, who was instrumental in the town's history at the time of its 100th anniversary in 1876, spoke. He was followed by Rev. S. W. Simonson, Rev. E. B. Marshall, Rev. Charles E. Hill. After the speaking there was a social time and the church was inspected.

We Can All Appreciate This.

The following, from the Chicago Record-Herald, will pass for about the proper thing just at this time:

Little drops of water,
Freezing as they fall,
Make man's feet fly upward,
Dislocate his gall.

Rob the merry fat man
Of his store of mirth,
Make him leave his trade-mark
Where he hits the earth.

Make the pretty little
Lady cease to care
Who may chance to hear her,
Who may turn to stare.

Little drops of water
Freezing where they splash
Make the mean old miser
Cease to think of cash.

Rob the happy lover
Of his thoughts of love,
As new constellations
He beholds above.

Make the mighty magnate,
Sitting on his hat,
Have disgust for water
And such things as that.

Little drops of water
Freezing where they fall,
Show that Hades has some
Good points, after all.

WALES.

Week of prayer is being observed at the Baptist church.

Peter A. Gaudette has filled his ice house this week at his hotel.

J. H. Loudon has been in New York this week, where he is reported to have taken large orders for goods.

The snow storm of Tuesday night delayed traffic Wednesday considerably. No schools were in session that day.

George Lanphear has a gang of men at work clearing off the snow on the old Shaw pond and is nearly ready to fill his large ice house of a capacity of 300 tons.

An alarm of fire was sounded by the bells of the mill and church Monday night about 6 o'clock. It proved to be a chimney burning out in the house on Church street owned by Peter Gadoury and occupied by Mr. Mooney. The fire was extinguished before any serious damage was done.

ANIMAL PICTURES FREE.

The Boston Sunday Globe to Give Its Young Friends a Complete Menagerie in the Form of Pictures in Color on Heavy Cardboard.

A series of animal pictures is to be given away by the Boston Sunday Globe until its young friends will have a complete menagerie. These pictures are in colors and printed on heavy cardboard. They will stand alone. With each of them is an instructive story of the animal which is pictured. Thus the series will afford both fun and instruction. Every boy and girl in New England should have the complete set, as they may have, if an order for the Sunday Globe is left with the nearest newsdealer.

"The women of New England owe you a debt of gratitude which they can never repay" is an expression written in many letters to the editor of the Sunday Globe. The debt is really due to the hundreds of clever and experienced women who exchange valuable ideas about cooking, fancy work, needlework, care of the babies, bringing up of children, care of the sick, and general housework and home management in the Housebold Department of the Boston Sunday Globe.

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Our Legislative Letter

It tells about

The Opening of the Session—The Unseating of Curley—Other Matters of Interest.

BOSTON, JAN. 4, 1904.

Organization day for the Legislature has passed off very much according to the routine, but with certain marked exceptions. In the first place, at the Republican caucus of the House this forenoon, Speaker Frothingham made prominent mention of the fact that there was to be a Democratic executive and that it was for the Republicans to uphold their party loyalty. But he put the way of doing it upon such broad ground that no Democrat or independent could take exception to his method, for he said that it was not for the Republicans to make petty issues, trying to play small politics, but that they must be broad-minded and fair and give support to measures which were for the public good, no matter whether they came from a Democratic or a Republican source.

This was exactly in line with what President Dana of the Senate said to the Republican caucus of the senators Tuesday evening. Therefore it is fair to presume that it represents the deliberate judgment of the legislative leaders, especially since Speaker Frothingham said that he had talked the matter over at length with President Dana. If this policy is lived up to, it will prevent petty political squabbles during the session, it will give the state the benefit of the best service of both party leaders and will result in a fair test of administrative ability in running the state.

At the same time there is no doubt that it is the best party politics for the Republicans. For, as the temper of the people seems to be, if there should be a popular feeling that Gov. Douglas was not being given a fair show by the Republican politicians, the people might take it into their heads that they would give him that show themselves and therefore make his reelection sure. As matters stand to-day the outlook for harmony of the parties is good.

Most important of the action to-day was the vote of the House declaring vacant the seat of Thomas F. Curley of Ward 17, Boston, who is now in jail serving sentence for defrauding the government in a civil service examination. This case has become so notorious that it has attracted attention all over this country and abroad, and this notoriety probably had something to do with the large majority of 175 to 48 whereby the House adopted the resolution offered by Mr. Bennett of Boston, the colleague of Speaker Frothingham, declaring the seat vacant. Friends of Curley or opponents of hasty action, made the best they could out of their side. They pleaded for fair play; they protested against legislative lynch law and they questioned the constitutionality of declaring the seat vacant without a hearing. But atecedents were cited for the action proposed and the motion of Representative Quinn of Boston to refer the resointion to a special committee was voted down without a count and with only a small vote in its favor. It was the Boston Democrats in the main who voted against the adoption of the resolution. Representative Norcross of Monson, Republican, was recorded against the resolution, but Mr. Pingree of Haverhill, Republican, who spoke about "legislative lynch law," after the motion to refer to a special committee was voted down, voted with the majority to declare the seat vacant. On the same side voted some of the leading Democrats outside of Boston, such as Messrs. McManus of Natick and Mitchell of Marlboro. Nobody said a word in defense of Curley, except that his colleague, W. P. Grady of Boston, denied that he had ever gloried in his crime, as was charged repeatedly in the floor during the debate.

But the Curley case is not ended and the future action of the House may be fully as important as its vote declaring the seat vacant. After the vote was taken, an order was offered for a special election to be held in the district. It is believed that the purpose is to elect Curley again and try to get him into the House again. As he is to be liberated to-morrow, by the time of the election he would not be a criminal in the eyes of the law and therefore one argument which was urged against him in debate to-day would not have force. But there is good reason to believe that if his district should send him back, the House would once more refuse to admit him. There is no doubt that the House, under the constitution, is the sole judge of the qualifications of its members, nor is there any doubt that the House has the right to decide the matter of qualifications upon moral grounds, for there are decisions sufficient to establish that point. The very recent date of the committal of the offense, and the great tribute which has been paid to both Curleys by their constituents in way of giving them dinners and receptions in jail, all have an effect upon the mind, as well as the criticisms of the moral character of the Legislature is being very low. The members feel sensitive and there was much force in the question which was asked repeatedly to-day whether it was for the honor of the state for a man to graduate from the jail into the Legislature, whether a law-breaker should at once become a law-maker. Therefore, judging by very warm expressions which leaders of the House have made since adjournment this afternoon, it looks as if Curley would be rejected on the ground of bad moral character, if his district should commit the indiscretion of sending him back to try the temper of the House.

People who have business to transact with the Legislature must look out or they will be shut out by the early closing of the doors. Not many years ago, February 22 used to be the last day. Then the date was set earlier until for a few years it has been the last secular day of January. It was so when the last day came last session. Afterward the rules were changed to make the day the third Saturday of January, which would be January 21 this year, and Speaker Frothingham, in his address to-day, said that he believed the time could be shortened still further. But this is not probable, and it is still more probable that the present short limit will delay business more than it will promote it, for cases are sure to arise after the time has expired in which it is urgent that the rules be suspended and the debate over the case delays more than the rule helps. It is not the length of time which delays business, but the procrastination of the committee in getting to work and then in reporting promptly upon matters upon which hearings have been held. The Legislature is sent to Boston to do the public business, not to drop it and rush home, and practice shows that mere rules will not dispose of the business early.

One of the most experienced senators says that the Senate seems to be the best body that has assembled in the upper branch for several years Some of the corrupt members of the last Senate, whom he named, have been left at home, and

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The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 6, 1905.

PALMER NEWS.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY.

It Cost One Man a $20 and a Broken Head.

Michael Krisowske, Staney Czeck, John Romaniank, Charles Cushinaw, Albert Wilk, Kasmere Romaniak and Andrew Gurcdeirncke were members of a New Year's party in Thorndike Saturday night, given at the home of John Romaniak by Staney Czeck of Holyoke in honor of his engagement. Among the guests was Andrew Gurcdeirncke, also a former sweetheart of his who has since married. Andrew absorbed a good deal of liquid inspiration and then his admiration for his former sweetheart received an awakening; he began to pay her marked and undesirable attention, and finally made uncomplimentary remarks about her, for which he was promptly thrown out of doors. He retaliated by heaving a stick of wood in through the window. Then the crowd did things to Andrew which left his face anything but pretty. To add insult to injury they had him arrested for making a disturbance. Then he told a story which resulted in the arrest of the others The matter was soon untangled in court and all but Andrew were discharged; he was assessed $20 for disturbing the peace, and paid.

Lecture on "Parsifal."

"Parsifal and the Holy Grail," which is to be given at St Paul's church Wednesday evening, Jan 18, by Rev. Henry R. Rose of Newark, N. J., has been called a "Stereopticon Lecture-Musical." The eloquent story of the Holy Grail, as told by this well-known speaker, is illustrated by beautiful pictures and by instrumental and vocal music from the great composer's works. The lecture begins with the origin of the legend of the Holy Grail. It goes on to trace the treatment of the fascinating story: First, as handled by the poets—Tennyson in "The Idylls of the King, "and Lowell in "The Vision of Sir Launfal;" second, by the painter, Abbey, in his celebrated paintings, "The Quest of the Grail," in the Boston Public Library; and then by the great musician, Wagner, in his opera, "Lohengrin," and his music drama, "Parsifal." Such a comprehensive treatment has never before been attempted, touching as it does on its poetical, artistic and musical sides. Add to this the religious element of the story and the platform magnetism of the lecturer and there is secured something but rarely, if ever, found in an illustrated lecture. Tickets, at the uniform price of 35 cents, will be placed on sale next Monday at Quimby's Pharmacy, and may be had of members of the parish committee. Children under twelve will be admitted for 15 cents.

Annual Meeting of Baptist Church.

The annual rollcall and business meeting was held in the vestry of the Second Baptist church Tuesday evening, supper being served at 6 30 to about 75 members. The reports of the different officers of the church showed that all bills were paid and a balance on hand. It was voted to increase the pastor's salary $50 per year. The reports of the different societies connected with the church showed them all to be in a progressive condition. The following officers were elected: Clerk, C. B Fiske; treasurer, C. B. Fiske; collector, Frank S. Keith; executive committee, G. W. Camp, C. E. Fuller, E. B. Taylor and James Summers; prudential committee, Mrs. F. W. Dimock, Mrs. A. M. Rich, Mrs. S. A. Parkhurst and Mrs. A. L. Wilcox; baptismal committee, J. L Dean, James Summers, Mrs. L. A. Calkins, Mrs. G. W. Camp, Mrs. S. A. Parkhurst, Miss Lena Warriner; auditing committee, A. E. Fitch, C. E Fuller; welcoming committee, J. L. Dean, F. S. Keith, A. B. Marsh, L. W. Parker, Mrs. E E. Converse; visitation committee, Mrs. L. A. Calkins, Mrs. E. E. Converse, Mrs. C. E. Fuller, Mrs. L. W. Parkhurst, Mrs. S. A. Parkhurst, Mrs. E. B. Taylor; soliciting committee, G. W. Camp, C. E. Fuller and E. B. Taylor.

A Knowing Dog.

A local grocer is the possessor of a dog which is attracting a good deal of attention of late because of his solicitude for his owner's horse. The animal rides on the delivery team a good deal, and seems to have a knowledge of how things ought to be conducted. One day this week, after the horse had been left standing in front of a house, it wandered across the street and onto the electric car track. This gave the dog a good deal of worriment, and he tried in various ways to attract the attention of passers but without avail, and the motorman of the coming car had to lead the horse from the track. Soon he wandered back again and this time the dog nearly went wild in his endeavors to get the horse away; he took the reins in his mouth and pulled until he had backed the horse a considerable distance before the clerk made his appearance, and took charge. And if ever a dog's tail wagged it was that one's; he thought he'd done about the neatest trick imaginable. The dog is credited with stopping the horse recently by dragging at the reins when the animal had started to go along and leave the clerk, who was in a house taking orders.

No Electric Lights Tuesday Night.

After a few preliminary winks just by way of experiment the incandescent electric lights winked out for keeps about 6 25 Monday evening, and remained out until some time Tuesday forenoon. All sorts of makeshifts were adopted by the merchants, from tallow candles to large kerosene lamps, and the stores presented a peculiar appearance with their lack of illumination. Tuesday morning the trouble was discovered near Fay's bridge on the road to Monson, where two of the main wires had come in close contact and the insulation become worn. It was remedied in a few moments and the lights have since been all right. The failure of the service Monday night was the first time in five years, a record which gives little cause for complaint against the company.

Water Main Springs a Leak.

A leak was discovered the first of the week in the main of the Palmer Water Company on Main street in front of the Holbrook block. The water was shut off the section between Thorndike street and Stone's block yesterday morning about 7, and it was 6 in the evening before the water was again available. The shut-off deprived the Harvest Hat Company of water for its boilers and the works were shut down about 2 in the afternoon on this account. The company is very busy just now and the delay was very annoying. The leak in the main was occasioned by the blowing out of calking where a cement portion of the main entered an iron section installed at the time of some previous break.

Change of Time for Electrics.

Several changes will be made in the running time of the electrics next Tuesday, the most important of which will be the installation of hour-and-a-half cars on the Ware line. The first car in the morning will leave Palmer at 5.50, then 7, 9, 10 30, 12, 1 30, 3, 4 30, 6, 7.30 and 9, this being the last car. Direct connection at Palmer between Ware and Springfield will be made every three hours by this schedule. On the Three Rivers and Bondsville line the 11 o'clock car will be discontinued, 10 in the evening being the last trip. On the Springfield line the 4.30 and 5 30 p. m. cars will be discontinued.

Frank Duffy and P. M. Shearer Jr. have been drawn as jurors.

N. W. Chandler of New York spent Sunday with relatives in town.

D L. Bodfish announces his annual sale of shirt waists, wrappers, etc.

Farrell F. Welch of Southington, Ct., spent Sunday with relatives in town.

The annual meeting of St Paul's Sunday school will be held next Sunday at 1 o'clock

J. G. Randlett is clerking in Taylor's store during the absence of Miss Packard.

Mrs. Thomas Blanchard of Knox street is the guest of relatives in New London, Ct.

There will be preaching services in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon and evening.

Following the performance of "Parada" this evening there will be dancing until 12 o'clock.

Rev. C. Julian Tuthill of Sanford, Me., is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. H. Tuthill on Pleasant street.

H. Howe is moving from the Dr. Holbrook house on Main street to the Simmons house on Park street.

The ninth grade of the grammar school is planning for a sleigh ride to Brimfield next Monday evening.

The Entre Nous whist club will meet next Tuesday evening with Mrs. H. C. Cheney on Pleasant street.

The Ladies' Society of the Universalist church will serve a supper in the church next Tuesday evening at 6 30.

There will be a progressive pitch party in the engine house Monday evening. A pipe will be given as a prize.

Miss Nellie M. Haley has returned to Turners Falls, after spending the holiday vacation with relatives in town.

The annual meeting of the Once a Week club will be held in the Converse House to-morrow evening, when officers will be elected.

The annual business meeting of the Ladies' Social Union of St. Paul's parish will be held next Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The annual meeting of the incorporators of the Palmer Savings Bank will be held in the banking rooms next Monday afternoon.

Mrs. A. F. McNally has returned to New York city, after being the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Heeneban on Central street.

The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the reference room of the public library.

Miss Ruth Fiske, who has been spending a vacation at her home on North Main street, has returned to her studies at Westfield Normal School.

Miss Henrietta Pratt of Waltham, a former teacher in the high school, has been spending a part of the week with Mrs. Ellen Leach on Church street.

The annual business meeting of St. Paul's parish was adjourned last Monday to next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Seats may be rented at this time.

The annual ball of the fire department will be held in the opera house on Friday night, the 20th. Flanagan's singing orchestra of Marlboro will furnish music.

The music committee of the Congregational church has organized with C. A. Morrill as chairman. The other members are Dr. H. C. Cheney and Mrs. L. E. Chandler.

The annual meeting of St. Paul's Universalist parish was adjourned from Monday evening until Tuesday evening of next week at 7.30, and seats may be rented at that time.

Rev. W. A. Moore is in Boston attending the convention of the grand chapter of the Zeta Psi fraternity of North America. It is also the 50th anniversary of the Tufts college chapter.

Clarence Wing has gone to New York and from there will take a gang of men to Honea Path, S. C., where the J. F. Gallivan Construction company is engaged in building a large dam.

Mrs. Fred Darling, who was taken to the hospital in Springfield on Monday of last week for treatment, died yesterday morning. Besides a husband she leaves five children, the eldest 15 years old.

The Gordon Bible class of the Baptist church elected the following officers Sunday: President, Arthur E. Fitch; vice president, E B. Taylor; secretary, John L. Dean; treasurer, Rufus S. Parkhurst.

Mrs. John W. Hall of Tenneyville sustained painful injuries on the back of her head as the result of a fall last Friday evening. She slipped and fell on South Main street and the scalp was painfully lacerated.

The series of evangelistic services now being held on Sunday evenings at St. Paul's Universalist church started with a large attendance last Sunday. The subject for next Sunday evening will be "The Essentials of Sustenance." All are invited to attend.

Robert J. Stevenson of Foundry street was yesterday adjudged an insane person and committed to the asylum at Northampton. Mr. Stevenson's trouble is of recent origin and is not considered serious; it is expected that he will fully recover under treatment.

Mrs. S. L. Cheney of Ivoryton, Ct., has purchased the Lawrence property on the corner of Main and Church streets. Mrs. Cheney will occupy the upper part of the house, and her son, Dr. H. C. Cheney, will occupy the lower, an office for his use being fitted up on the west side.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be "The Great Song of Praise for Present Blessings." Evening song service at 7, followed by a sermon on "A Father's Interrogation." This is the first of a series of sermons on "The Questions of Men."

A Warren man who came to Palmer on business Tuesday night had an unpleasant experience in getting home. He came in on the 7.34, which was about on time, and intended to return on the 9 27, but it was 5 o'clock Wednesday morning before he could get a railroad train out of town for the east.

The Grand Parada has been presented at the opera house Tuesday, Wednesday and last evenings, and the last performance will be to-night. It is spectacular in form, and consists of a number of very pretty drills and marches. A large number of the little folks take part, and acquit themselves with credit. After the performance this evening there will be a social dance.

Miss Lea H Crowell of Boston is at Taylor's grocery store this week demonstrating the goods of the National Biscuit Company. The company manufactures about 45 varieties, and of these Miss Crowell has over 30 which she is giving samples of to callers. During the demonstration, which will close to-morrow evening, three 10-cent packages are given for 25 cents.

An overheated stove set fire to the under side of the roof of the Ware River road's round house near North Main street just before noon to-day, and a duty call on the fire alarm was rung for the firemen. One stream of water soon extinguished the blaze with but little damage done. Some clothing belonging to section hands was ruined. The fire was discovered by sparks dropping on the clothing.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Fairing were thrown from a sleigh near Blanchardville Wednesday afternoon. The sleigh was tipped by a snow drift and the horse ran. The sleigh struck a pole and was wrecked, Dr. and Mrs Fairing being thrown out. Mrs. Fairing was uninjured, and the doctor escaped with a slightly bruised shoulder. The horse returned to Marcy's stable, and Mr. Marcy started with another rig and picked up Dr. and Mrs. Fairing near the scene of the accident.

There was a small fire in the home of R. J. Fuller on Park street Wednesday evening, but no alarm was rung in. Mrs Fuller was dressing in one of the chambers and was using a lamp. She left the room for a few seconds and upon her return found the lace curtains blazing. She and Mr. Fuller put the fire out, and both were somewhat burned. The damage to the room was slight, the wood about the window being somewhat charred and the paper considerably smoked.

The regular meeting of the Palmer Historical Society will be held in the reference room of the library next Tuesday night at 7.30. The subject of the papers will be "The beginning of our territorial expansion." Ernest Hobson will read a paper on the "Louisiana Purchase;" Mrs. M. O. Patton a paper on "The Lewis and Clark Expedition and Acquisition of Oregon." A. E. Fitch and others will speak of what they saw at the St. Louis Exposition. All who are interested are invited to be present.

Monday was probation day in the district court, nine probationers being scheduled to appear and give account of themselves for varying lengths of time. Eight were on hand; six were discharged and the cases of two were continued, one to February 6 and one to March 6. John Butko failed to show up and his case was continued until Monday; but he came in Wednesday, when he was fined $10. John didn't have the price, but his wife-to-be did, and parted with it to prevent him from doing time in Springfield. One more "drunk" was released on probation Wednesday.

Michael Grady, for the steenth time, appeared in court Tuesday charged with a recurrence of his old complaint, drunkenness. Grady's appearance did not indicate an extensive drunk, and he pleaded hard to be set free; he said he had been working at his trade as a tailor for some time, and that his slip was slight and owing to an unfortunate combination of circumstances at his home. *If let go he promised* to take the pledge, get a room away from his family and keep steadily at work. All other methods of reformation having been tried without avail, and as his employers stated that they needed his services, Probation Officer Merriam was of the opinion that the experiment could do no harm and he was released under the conditions imposed by himself. Affairs at the Grady home on Dublin street have been in an unsavory condition for some time, and much complaint has been made by the neighbors.

Gustave P. Knutson, 27, of Palmer, died in the Springfield hospital Saturday afternoon of typhoid fever after an illness of five days. He was a member of Mt. Ella lodge of United Workmen in Monson, and was employed in the Palmer wire mill for about six years. He had a wide circle of friends among the Swedish people in Monson, Palmer and Springfield. He leaves two sisters in Springfield, one brother in New York, parents and two sisters in Sweden. The funeral was held from C J. Rostrand's undertaking parlors on Main street, in Springfield, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A delegation of 15 members of Mt. Ella Lodge of Workmen and a large number of friends from Palmer and Monson attended the funeral, members of the lodge acting as bearers. There was a large number of beautiful floral tributes, including a pillow from his shopmates and an anchor and shield from the Workmen. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery, in Springfield.

THORNDIKE.

Miss Kathryn Holden spent Sunday with friends in Springfield.

Dr. Daniel O'Connor of Mt. Dumplin spent to-day with friends in Holyoke.

Mrs. Eva Bishop and daughter Margaret spent the first of the week in Millbury.

Miss Sands returned Monday from a two-weeks' visit with her parents in Fitchburg.

Miss Mary Fleming entertained a friend from Chicopee at her home on Main street Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hanlon Sr. attended the funeral of a relative in Boston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Templeton are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lafarra on the Ware road

Edward Graves of Hudson, N. J., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Clifford on Commercial street.

Miss Julia Stokes of Hartford, Ct., spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. James Dullahan on the Ware road.

Miss May Broderick of Ware was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. B. J. Sullivan on Summer street Sunday.

Joseph LaPlante of White Valley is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank LaPlante on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Longtine of Church street are entertaining Mr. Longtine's sister of New York at their home.

Miss Maude Fillmore of Three Rivers spent yesterday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Clark.

A number attended the dance in Union Hall Saturday evening which was given by the Young Men's Dramatic Club.

Miss Lillian Knox of Springfield was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Edward McKelligott on Commercial street Sunday.

Mrs. William Andrews returned to her home on Main street Monday after visiting her mother, Mrs. Gilson in Orange.

Miss Maude Parker returned to Boston Monday after being the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bishop of Ludlow passed Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bishop on Commercial street.

Mrs. Charles Clark and daughter, Josephine, returned to New York this week, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. E. W. Clark on Main street.

Rev. Thomas Cosgrove, who is an instructor in St. Bonaventure's College, Alleganey, N. Y., is the guest of Rev. Francis Lynch on Main street.

Mrs. Eva Bishop returned to her home in Brooklyn and Henry H. Hobbs returned to Andover this week after being the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Hobbs on Church street.

BONDSVILLE.

Mrs. Piper of North Dana was the guest of Mrs. Edward Sharratt last Saturday.

Mrs. William Morse and daughter Gladys visited friends in Belchertown last Saturday.

Miss Lena Rodier of Ware has been the guest of her cousin, Miss Lena Langelier, this week.

The next meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society will be held at the home of Mrs. L L Beeman.

Miss Grace McFarlane of Ludlow spent Sunday as the guest of her brother, Rowland McFarlane.

Mrs. Samuel Stewart and daughter Evelyn have returned from a visit to Mrs. Stewart's home in Auburn, Me.

"Parada," the entertainment given in the opera house in Palmer this week, drew many spectators from this village.

James Shanklin, who spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Lafleur, returned to his home in Springfield Saturday.

The next meeting of the King's Daughters Circle will be held next Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Adams.

Miss Minnie Finley, who has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Collins, has returned to her home in Hudson, N. Y.

Miss Ora Parent has returned to her duties as teacher in the Framingham high school after a vacation spent at her home in this village.

James Mansfield is confined to his home on East street with a broken leg, as the result of a fall which he sustained last Saturday evening.

On account of the heavy snow drifts Wednesday trains on the Boston and Maine railroad were behind their schedule, especially the 7 03 p. m. mail train, which was over two-hours late.

The schools of the village opened Monday morning after the Christmas recess. Wednesday morning the no-school signal was sounded on account of the severe snow storm and again at noon it was sounded.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ryther and daughter Mabel visited last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs George Keith in Palmer, who observed the 50th anniversary of their marriage on that day. Mr. Keith is an uncle of Mrs. Ryther's

Miss Helen Farnsworth and Miss Lucille Dunton have returned to their duties in the schools after a two-weeks' vacation spent at their homes in Lancaster and Melrose, and Miss Maud Connors from a visit at her home in Holyoke.

This week has been observed as the week of prayer at the M. E church. Services were held Wednesday evening, last night and will also be held this evening. It was planned to have one Tuesday night also, but it was given up on account of the severe storm.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M E church will serve a cold meat supper in the church vestry next Tuesday night. Supper will be served at 6 30 o'clock at ten cents a plate. In connection with the supper the ladies have also secured Mr. Hill of Boston, reader and entertainer, who comes highly recommended. Admission to the entertainment will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children and it is hoped to have a good crowd in attendance.

At a meeting of the Sunday school board of the M. E. church held last Sunday after the morning services the following officers were elected: Superintendent, Mrs. O. A. Parent; assistant superintendent, Edwin E Ryther; secretary, Charles Sharratt; treasurer, Edwin Sharratt; *librarian, Mrs.* George Adams. Mrs. Warren Fisherdick was appointed superintendent of the home department. The following teachers were appointed: Mrs W. Fisherdick, Mrs William Morse, Miss Annie Collis, Mrs. H. C. Morgan and Miss Helen Farnsworth. The senior class is presided over by Rev. L. L Beeman.

THREE RIVERS.

John Matchette is ill with the grippe.

James H. Cole has recovered from his illness.

Mrs. Arthur Gervais is visiting friends in Holyoke.

Clarence Olmstead spent Sunday with his parents.

Miss Cora Cleveland spent Sunday with her mother.

John Twiss has received a large number of new sleighs.

Antonius Sharkey has resumed work in the Palmer Mill.

Louis Thayer spent Sunday with his parents in Enfield.

Mrs. Peter Chabot is visiting relatives in Windson Locks, Ct.

Jackson Wright spent Sunday with friends in Springfield.

Dominic Accorsi purchased a fruit store in Greenfield Monday.

Miss Annie McConwell has returned to her home in Lawrence.

Joseph Lafortune has taken a position in the Springfield armory.

H. Dufore is confined to his home with an attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. John Ritchie is seriously ill at her home on the Palmer road.

Miss Marjory Bruce returned to Fairhaven, R. I., last Saturday.

George Bovia of Springfield is visiting his father on School street.

Mrs. Charles Russell of Springfield is visiting Mrs. Esther Parrow.

Charles Tracy returned to West Point Military Academy, Wednesday.

Owing to the bad weather Wednesday the no-school signal was sounded.

John Fogarty has taken a position in the finishing department of the Palmer Mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brown are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Raymond Grout of Vermont is visiting his brother, Leon Grout on Kelley street.

Messrs. John Smith and Thomas Wier spent Saturday with friends in Gilbertville.

The annual business meeting of the Union church will be held next Tuesday.

Friends of Charles Connor will be glad to learn of his recovery from his recent illness.

A sidewalk is being constructed between the M. E. church and the Central Vermont station.

Charles P. Haynes caught an unusually good string of pickerel at the new dam Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Camerlin was called to Chicopee Falls Tuesday by the death of her brother.

Albert Jenks received second prize for his buff cochin bantams at the Springfield poultry show.

The subject of Rev. D. C. York's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Kingship of Jesus."

Louis Harness of West Brimfield spent the first part of the week with Eugene Rivers on High street.

The Ware Electric Five were defeated in basketball last Saturday by the Three Rivers Stars. The score was 15 to 9.

The week of prayer was observed by the two Protestant churches this week. Mr. and Mrs. R B. Currier of Springfield assisted in the observance.

A freight engine was derailed on the Boston and Albany railroad near the station about 10 o'clock Tuesday night, and it could not be moved until Thursday morning.

The subject for Rev. Charles Olmstead's sermon next Sunday morning will be "God's Reserve Fund;" The subject for the evening service will be "A Prophet's Message."

The Red Men will hold their annual raising of chiefs next Tuesday night, after which a turkey supper will be served at the Quaboag House. The supper will be served by the side that lost in the contest for inducing members to attend meetings. James Wilson is the leader of the victorious side. Daniel Keefe is the leader of the party that will serve the supper.

Wilfred Boissey and Marie Camerline were married Monday morning at 7 o'clock in St. Anne's church The ceremony was performed by Rev. J V. Campeau Emery Boissey acted as best man. The bride's father gave her away. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the groom's home and the couple went to Rhode Island on their honeymoon. Mr and Mrs. Boissey were the recipients of many valuable gifts. The couple will live with the groom's parents and will be at home after Jan. 15.

For lack of a club room in which the boys of the place might gather, a number of the youths have been making a resort place of the Chinese laundry. Last Saturday, after the usual aggregation had assembled two lads, not of the usual following, placed two railroad torpedoes on the Celestial's stove The torpedoes were in good working order, and before long demonstrated that fact to the satisfaction of all in the room. The explosion caused no particular damage, but the washee-washee man concluded that there was too muchee bang-bang, and seizing his poker proceeded to drive the boys all out without further ceremony. He was evidently much in earnest about the matter, and the youths stayed not on the order of their going.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Mr. and Mrs Harry Tripp of Hazardville, Ct, were guests of her sister, Mrs. F. A. Fuller over Sunday.

Mrs. J. Addison Bennett has been spending a part of the week with her daughter, Mrs Cashin Seaver in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. George Converse and son, Norman, who have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E B. Gates, returned to their home in New Haven, Ct., Monday.

LUDLOW.

Ralph, son of M. R. Bennett of Ludlow Center, sustained a bad fall from a haymow Sunday night. He fell backward with the ladder and struck on his back and head, making a severe cut on the scalp, which had to be sewed up.

Stephen Rappalus, who conducts a store on Parker street, lost $15 Saturday evening while his back was turned. He had placed a quantity of silver in a tin box and when his man asked him to assist in loading a barrel on to the wagon, some one managed to get away with the box.

The Annual Meeting

Of the incorporators of the Palmer Savings Bank, for the choice of officers and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before said meeting, will be held at their banking rooms on Monday, the ninth day of January, 1905, at 2 o'clock p m.

C. L. WAID, Treasurer.

Palmer, Mass., December 30, 1904.

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BRIMFIELD.

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John M. Warren spent Christmas in Worcester.

Albert Brown of Southbridge spent Christmas in Brimfield

Miss Katherine Haley has been visiting at the home of Postmaster Pierson.

Walter Brown returned to his studies at Worcester Polytechnic Institute Tuesday.

Miss Florence Chase of Sturbridge was a guest last week at the home of Postmaster Pierson.

Julius Cowan of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and a graduate of the Hitchcock Free Academy in the class of 1904, has been a guest at the home of Mrs Martha Streeter.

The annual roll call of the Congregational church was held Saturday. About 50 were in attendance. Among those from whom letters were read were Rev. Robert Kyle of Gilead, Ct., Mrs. J. T. Brown, Miss Julia T. Brown and Mrs. Emily Wilkinson of Springfield, Mrs Susan Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Edward B Allen of Stockbridge, Mrs. Plimpton of Southbridge and Mrs. Rebecca Agard At a business meeting of the church Edward H. Davenport was elected deacon to fill the vacancy caused by the removal from town of Gilbert Brown.

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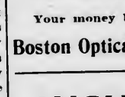

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Monson News.

Academy Notes.

Lino will hold a regular meeting next Friday.

School opened Tuesday after a recess of ten days.

Charles W. Lu returned yesterday from a visit to New York city.

Perry, '08, of Boston has left school and entered the English high school.

Miss Pendergast, '06, entertained her friend, Miss May Powers of Norwich Art School, at the Academy Tuesday.

The following officers were elected by the Philo Society yesterday afternoon: President, Miss Fitzgerald; vice president, Miss Doyle; secretary, Miss Gough; treasurer, Miss McKenna

To-morrow afternoon at 4 30 the school basketball team will line up against Stafford high in the gym and a hot game is looked for. Monson will be without the services of Graves, the regular guard, because of illness, thus causing Faulkner to go to guard and Cahill brought in and played at forward. The line-up of the Academy team will be: Hynes r f, Cahill l f, Briggs c, (capt.) Rourke l g, Faulkner r g. The class of 1907 defeated the brigade team in basketball yesterday by a score of 7 to 6.

The Storm in Monson.

Monson was visited by a small blizzard Tuesday night and Wednesday morning, more than a foot of snow falling, and drifting badly in many places. The electric road was kept cleared in good shape, and cars were run practically on time. The rural mail carriers did not go out Wednesday, as it was not considered possible to get over the routes. In some of the districts teams were sent out to break out the roads, which were drifted badly. Yesterday the snow in the streets was leveled off with the road scraper, which was a decided improvement, especially where it was piled up by the snow plows on the electric road.

Mrs. George Tucker visited friends in Wilbraham this week

Miss Lillian Pease has returned to the Boston Conservatory of Music.

The Academy held no session Wednesday on account of the severe storm.

Fred Williams has taken a position at the W. N. Flynt Granite Co's. barn.

J. P. Herlihy has been confined to the house the past week with rheumatism.

The selectmen held their regular monthly business meeting Monday afternoon.

Claude Duncan has taken a position as dresser tender at the Ellis-Ricketts mill

Miss Louise Shaw and Miss Ruth Johnson have returned to Mt. Holyoke College

Mrs. John Welcome of Southwick is visiting her sister, Mrs. D W. Palmer on East Hill.

James Breen has moved his family to Rockville, where he will manage a large milk farm.

Rev. C. C. Conner will preach in the Gage district schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Joseph Dixon of West Upton, a former dyer at Heimann & Lichten's spent Sunday with friends here.

There will be a Sunday school in the Pease district schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

William Sullivan has purchased a tract of land of Henry E. Newton in the north part of the village.

Miss Flora Moulton, Miss May Leary and Miss Elsie Royce have returned to the Boston University.

Miss May Needham has returned to Boston to resume her studies at the school of domestic science.

Miss Eudocia Dewey of Springfield is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. W. N. Flynt on High street.

Mrs Henry Roehm has returned to Providence, R I., after spending a few days with friends here.

H. M. Tomlinson of Portland, Oregon, has gone to Boston after spending a week with Mrs. Sara E. Fitz.

Miss Maud C. Sweet has gone to Brooklyn, N. Y, where she has accepted a position in the public library.

The Green Street Whist Club will meet Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Needham on Lincoln street.

Rev. N M. Pratt will preach at the Congregational church Sunday morning on "The work of the religious man".

J. F. Butterworth and Miss Marion Butterworth have returned from a few days' visit in Boston and Revere.

Mrs John McKnaught of Windsor, Vt, a former resident of this place, visited friends here the first of this week

Miss Helen Moulton and her guest, Miss Olga White, returned Monday to the Emerson School of Oratory at Boston.

A. D Norcross, representative from the First Hampden district, went to Boston Tuesday for the opening of the Legislature.

Rev. C. C. Conner will preach at the Universalist church Sunday morning on the subject "It shall not be forgiven unto men"

Miss Sarah Pease and Miss Hattie Giffin, who spent the holidays on East Hill, have returned to Springfield, where they are employed.

The engagement of Miss Lydia Dow of Revere to James F. Butterworth, principal of Monson Academy, was announced New Year's Day.

Prof. R. D Tucker has had two sick horses this week, which have been cared for by Dr Dewey of Palmer, and they are now much better

Clinton E Bills has returned to Dartmouth college. Carl Rand to Williams college and Dwight and George Ellis and Robert Flynt to Amherst college.

The annual meeting of the Congregational parish will be held in the church Tuesday evening at 7 45, to choose officers and transact other routine business.

The Current Events Club meeting, which was to have been held this afternoon with Mrs. S. F Cushman, was postponed and will be held next week at the same place.

District Deputy J. N. Graves and suite will go to Ware next Tuesday night, and Palmer Wednesday night, to install the officers elect of the respective lodges of Odd Fellows.

Miss Alice M. Carpenter, who has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J H. Carpenter on East Hill, has returned to Providence, R. I., where she is teaching in the kindergarten.

Elmer Pease's milk sleigh was overturned on Main street yesterday morning while crossing the electric car tracks and the contents of his milk cans spilled in the street. No other damage was done.

Miss Matilda Gustavson, who is employed in the family of Joseph Reynolds, was taken to the House of Mercy hospital at Springfield and operated on for appendicitis Tuesday night. She is rapidly recovering.

The Century Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs R. H. Cushman on High street. The meeting next Tuesday will be with Mrs. E R Cooke; program in charge of Mrs. F. E. Fairbank, Mrs. William Flynt and Mrs. F. S. Homer.

Some necessary repairs and alterations have been made the past few days on the automatic apparatus of the new fire alarm system in Memorial Hall basement. It is now considered by Chief Engineer Needham to be in perfect working order.

The Men's Club of the Congregational church will hold a regular meeting in the church parlors next Monday night at 8 o'clock. Rev. S. H. Woodrow of Springfield will speak on the subject, "Some varieties of mental healing." A lunch and social hour will follow the speaking.

Christmas was observed on East Hill at the schoolhouse. An entertainment by the young people, consisting of music, recitations and the Ladies Home Journal illustrated, was very creditably rendered, after which presents were distributed from a tree well loaded with good things for old and young. A large number were present.

Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Ellis have the deep sympathy of their many friends in the death of their second child, Frederick Gardner, aged six years He died Tuesday night of cerebro meningitis, after a two-days' illness. All who knew the little fellow will testify to his sunny disposition and great promise of usefulness in the world. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. N. M. Pratt officiating, and burial was in the No. 1 cemetery.

The rural telephones are fast being connected, and it is expected that all of the lines, with the exception of possibly the Stafford line, will be in operation this week Those who have them fully installed appreciate them greatly, and at the close of the year for which the contracts were made there will be very few who will be willing to have them taken out. Lines 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 are now in operation. Mr. Lord of the telephone company was in town yesterday.

District Deputy Woodward and suite of Springfield installed the following officers elect of Monson lodge of Odd Fellows at their regular meeting Monday night: N G, Norman P Dempsey; V. G., A. A. Babbitt; R. S, D. B. Needham; F. S., F. A. Bills; treasurer, H. M. Smith; conductor, E. C. Bradway; warden, W. S. Miller; R. S S, C. E. Smith; L. S. S., H. M. Noble; R. S. N. G, F J Entwistle; L S. N G, E. R. Sisson; R. S. V. G, C. F. Aldrich; L S V. G., M E Wright; I. G, Harrison Howe; O. G., J M. Wright; chaplain, A. J. Buffington; S. P. G, G. L Warriner.

A vesper service will be held at the Congregational church Sunday evening at 6 o'clock. A musical program will be rendered by a quartette under the leadership of Miss Estalla G. Hutchinson, soprano, assisted by Miss Lucy B. Woodward, organist. "Modern Paganism" will be the subject of a short address by the pastor. Those who will take part are: Miss Hutchinson, soprano; Mrs. F. M. Towne, contralto; R. A. Johnstone, tenor; C. F. Orcutt, baritone; Mrs. A. H. Orcutt, violinist. Order of exercises:

Organ.
Music.
Opening Sentences.
Music.
Prayer and Amen.
Music.
Reading.
Music.
Address.
Music.
Closing Prayer.
Music.
Organ.

HAMPDEN.

John C. Beebe has returned to his studies in the Westfield high school.

Mrs. Irving Bennett of Amherst has been visiting at Clark Goodwill's

Miss Alice Bliss, teacher in East Hartford, Ct., has been spending her holiday vacation at the Congregational parsonage.

Presiding Elder W. G. Richardson of Springfield will preach in the Methodist church Sunday morning. The quarterly conference will be held at the close of the service.

Sumner Smith, who has kept a general store in Hampden for the past 20 years, has sold the business to Julius G. Gottsche, who took possession Monday. Mr. Smith retires on account of failing eyesight. Mr. Gottsche has been in Mr. Smith's employ for the past year and will conduct the business in practically the same manner as heretofore.

WILBRAHAM.

The winter term of Wesleyan Academy opened Wednesday at 3 p. m.

Miss Dora Merrick, who is teaching in Greenwich, has been spending a few days in town.

Miss Fannie Merrick of Northampton is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Merrick.

Clifford Moody of New Britain, Ct, formerly of Wilbraham, is undergoing an operation at a hospital for appendicitis.

The Sunday school of the First Congregational church reorganized Sunday and these officers were elected: Superintendent, Ethelbert Bliss; assistant superintendent, Dea. Albert Phelps; secretary, A. J. Robb; treasurer, Mrs. W. L Phelps; chorister, Mrs. L. J. Potter; organist, Miss Dora Bliss.

The Christian Endeavor society of the First Congregational church has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Dora G. Bliss; vice president, M. Luther Bruner; secretary, Miss Carrie A Moody; treasurer, Miss Dora Miller; chairman of prayer-meeting committee, Allan J. Robb; of lookout committee, Miss Dora Miller; of social committee, Mrs. W. L. Phelps; of flower committee, Miss Dora A. Bliss; organist, Miss D. A. Bliss; choirister, Miss Eva Gebo.

The Grange has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Master, C. C. Beebe; overseer, G. W. Hulme; lecturer, Mrs. Clarence Pease; steward, Clarence Pease; assistant steward, Alfred H. Bosworth; chaplain, Mrs. F. W. Green; treasurer, Mrs. W. L Phelps; secretary, Mrs. D. L Bosworth; gatekeeper, James Ritchie; Ceres, Mrs. F. A. Gurney; Pomona, Mrs. C. S. Bolles; Flora, Mrs. M. Mosely; lady assistant steward, Mrs. C. C. Beebe; executive committee for three years, W. T. Eaton; executive committee for one year, C. P. Bolles; librarian, Mrs. W L Phelps. The officers will be installed at the next regular meeting next Wednesday.

BELCHERTOWN.

R. L. Bridgman has gone on an extended business trip.

Miss Anna C. Baxter is spending this month in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Hattie Barnard of Springfield is the guest of her brother, William Chamberlain.

Mary Anxtuner was recently severely burned on both hands, caused by falling on a hot stove.

Albertus Morse is planning to join his brother, Ransom Morse, who is spending the winter in Florida.

Mrs. Eliza Hoag has been reappointed secretary of the Relief Corps by the president, Mrs F. G. Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Holland announce the marriage of their daughter, Ella Eaton, to Edward Ransom Fiske at Germantown, Pa, last week Wednesday. After a European tour, Mr. and Mrs. Fiske will be at home April 25 in Germantown, Pa.

The installation exercises of the post, Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans were held Monday evening and there was a good attendance of members and invited guests. Myron Barton, retiring commander, installed the officers of the post, Inspector Hobson of Palmer those of the Sons of Veterans, and Mrs. Mary Thayer of Amherst those of the Relief Corps. A social hour followed and refreshments were served.

The annual meeting of the creamery association was held Monday, when the following officers were elected: President, M. G. Ward; secretary, G. H. B. Greene; treasurer, A. D. Randall; auditor, Guy C. Allen; directors, A. R House, A. C. Smith, E A. Randall, M. W. Bardwell. There were gathered 715,109 pounds of cream, yielding 132,388 pounds of butter fat, which made 160,412 pounds of butter. The receipts for the year were $41,769, of which the patrons received for cream $34 359, or an average of about 25 cents a pound for butter fat.

WARREN.

Wilson H. Fairbank has been spending a part of the week in Boston on a business trip.

E. C. Waite of Leicester has taken a position as bookkeeper in the office of the Torkelson Manufacturing Co.

Miss Lois R Pease has resigned her position as teacher in grades 5 and 6, high school building, and has a position in Blandford. Miss Bertha O Metcalf is acting as substitute for the present.

Arcturus lodge, I. C. O. F, has elected the following officers: Noble grand, George A. Barton; vice grand, Austin R Woodard; recording secretary, Alexander E. Carliell; financial secretary, William E. Taylor; treasurer, Henry S. Howe.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Chandler celebrated the 15th anniversary of their marriage Monday night at their home on Ramsdell street, and a large number of friends and relatives were present. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler received many presents of silver and cut glass. During the evening a turkey supper was served.

At the annual meeting of the alumni of the Warren high school last Friday evening, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Albert Robinson of Peabody; vice presidents, Miss Margaret M. Blair and Miss Mary S. Hitchcock; secretary, Miss Florence F. Porter; executive committee, Dennis Bennett of West Warren, Miss Alice M. Barnes of West Brookfield, Miss Catherine Kelley of New York, O. Draper Phelps and Arthur F. Taylor of Hanover, N H.

Clara Barton Grand Army post installed the following officers Wednesday night, Past Commander Lucien W. Gilbert acting as installing officer, and the officers installed were as follows: C, George Bliss; S.V. C., Joseph M. Sawtell; J. V. C., L W. Gilbert; Q M., Joshua T. Bostock; A., Henry M. Converse; S., William H. Lombard; chaplain, John G. Leach; O. D., Stary W. Bridge; O G, Ephraim C. Carey; S. M., Robert P. Bestick; Q. M. S, Agor W. Barlow; delegate to department encampment, Henry M. Converse; alternate, Steven W. Bridge.

The annual meeting of the Warren Thief Detecting Society was held in the office of C. B. Blair Monday evening. The report of the treasurer was read and showed a balance of $1454 in the treasury, which shows it to be one of the richest societies of its kind hereabouts. The following officers were elected: President, C. M. Blair; secretary, J. G. Hastings; treasurer, C. B. Blair; directors, Marcus Burroughs, Edward Fairbanks, F. A. Keith, F. W. Kimball, I. E Moore, C. H. Walker and F. E Wilcox; pursuing committee, S. N. Cutler, J. M. Drake, W. H. Fairbank, D. E. Graves, W. A. Jenks, W. A. Putnam, H. N. Shepard, G. E. Tarbell, C. E. Comins and A. E. Shumway.

Fraternity Notes.

L. L. Merrick G. A R post will meet next Wednesday evening.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold a regular meeting this evening.

Next Thursday is the regular meeting night of Tockwotton tribe of Red Men.

Palmer council, Knights of Columbus, meets on Thursday evening of next week.

Pilgrim commandery, Knights of Malta, hold a regular meeting next Tuesday evening.

A special convocation of Hampden Royal Arch Chapter of Masons will be held next Monday evening.

Division Aide E. E. Hobson went to Belchertown Monday evening to install the officers of the Sons of Veterans camp of that place.

The Ladies of Columbus will hold a poverty party in Memorial Hall next Tuesday evening. Sanger's orchestra of Springfield will furnish music.

Good Cheer Rebekah lodge will hold a regular meeting next Monday evening. The election of officers will take place, and every member is requested to be present

The Order of the Eastern Star will meet Friday evening. The newly-elected officers will be installed by Miss Helen L Robinson of Palmer, assisted by Mrs. Emma G Keith as marshal.

At a meeting of Court Palmer, F. of A., Tuesday evening, the following officers were installed by D. G., C. R Boylan and H. W. Ryan both of Warren: Chief ranger, William F. Gaffney; sub-chief ranger, George McDonald; treasurer, Daniel Ahearn; financial secretary, David Micott; recording secretary, G. C. Goodes; senior woodward, W. J Farrell; junior woodward, Albert Ayers; senior beadle, Walter Burford; junior beadle, James Watts; lecturer, Philip Smith; trustee for three years, E. Nelson; two years, George Callahan; physician, Dr. D. B Sullivan. After the meeting there was a smoke talk and refreshments were served.

A joint installation of L. L. Merrick post, G. A R., Woman's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans was held Tuesday evening, to which the public was invited. Dr. George E. Fuller of Monson, assisted by George H. Seymour, also of Monson, installed the G. A R officers as follows: Commander, D. J Mahoney; senior vice commander, Horace Stimson; junior vice commander, George H. Justin; quartermaster, H. H. Paine; sergeant, J. Heran; chaplain, H. E. W. Clark; officer of the day, J. H. Davis; officer of the guard, Henry M. Bliss; sergeant major, S. E Stearns; quartermaster sergeant, George Colgrove. The installing officer for the Woman's Relief corps was Mrs. Abbie Lawton, assisted by Mrs George A. Moore. The officers: President, Mrs. L. E. Carpenter; senior vice president, Mrs. Frederick Thompson; junior vice president, Mrs. Laura Calkins; treasurer, Mrs C. W. Robinson; secretary, Mrs. Abbie Lawton; chaplain, Mrs. C. E. Fish. Mrs. Lawton was presented with a Relief Corps pin and Mrs. W. A. Barnes with a gold hatpin. The following officers of the Sons of Veterans were installed by George H. Seymour, assisted by E E. Hobson: Commander, Frank Wilcox; senior vice commander, Willis Calkins; junior vice commander, Clifton Hobson; camp council, James Clark, F. Lavene, C. L Johnson. Refreshments were served by the Woman's Relief corps members.

WARE.

Vital Statistics.

Town Clerk Almer F. Richardson has given out the following statistics for the past year: Number of deaths 126, against 111 in 1903. The deaths were distributed as follows: Under 7 years, 25; 1 to 2 years, 3; 3 to 4, 2; 5 to 10, 2; 15 to 20, 1; 20 to 30, 14; 30 to 40, 13; 40 to 50, 6; 50 to 60, 10; 60 to 70, 8; 70 to 80, 15; 80 to 90, 15; over 90, 2. There were 64 deaths among females and 62 among males. There were 137 marriages in 1904 against 97 in 1903, the majority of the marriages were among Polish people, 55 certificates being issued to that nationality, American parentage, 29; French parentage, 17; mixed, 23. The oldest groom was 59 years old and the oldest bride 52. The youngest groom was 18 and the youngest bride 16 years old.

Isaac Jeffries has received news of the death of his father, Joseph Jeffries, in Nottingham, Eng, on December 16

Rev. John Murphy, pastor of All Saints' church, announces that the sum of $5250 has been paid recently upon the debt of $50,000, that remained on the property when he came to Ware.

J. Benton Osgood, formerly a clerk in Wooley's clothing store, and more recently employed in Brattleboro, Vt., has returned home, but will start next Wednesday for California by way of Galveston.

The West Brookfield line of the Hampshire and Worcester electric road was opened yesterday morning for the first time since the storm. The first car reached Ware at 10 a. m., and the next at 12.

Mrs. Annie Russell Marble will address the members of the Social Science Club in the parlors of the Mansion House tomorrow afternoon on the subject, "Messages of a group of later American poets." Miss Hermione Wilson will sing.

The Ware brass band, at a meeting Monday night, voted to hold a bazar in the town hall Feb 23, 24 and 25 The object is to raise money to defray the year's expenses, pay for uniforms and also to provide a fund from which to pay for the open air concerts next summer.

It was announced at the morning masses in All Saints' church Sunday that the separation of the Polish people from the remainder of the parish would take place, and that next Sunday services would be held at 7 30 and 9.30 in the basement of the church. Both Rev. Oswald Loreton and Rev. Joseph Fox are from Poland, and only recently ordained. They cannot speak English, but can converse in French, German and Italian beside Polish.

Dr. W. W. Miner was called Saturday to a house on Water street to attend a Polish Jew of middle age, whom he found with a large bone broken in the right leg below the knee. It was learned that he was kicked the day before by a horse, which he had recently bought, on the road to Gilbertville, but had done nothing after being helped from his team into bed that night except to apply vinegar to the sore place. He was fixed up so that he could go with crutches to Worcester, where he lives.

WEST WARREN.

Mr. and Mrs Pierre Brouseau have been spending the week in Sorel, P. Q, with his parents.

Mrs. Raymond Giroux of Linwood is visiting her mother, Mrs. Peter Benoit on North street.

Edward Boisvert has moved his barber shop from Rood's block on Albany street to Marcy's block on Main street.

Mrs. A. J. St. Onge and daughter Ruth of Somerville have been guests of Mrs. Peter Benoit on North street this week.

Miss Mary Weisman of Clinton has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Weisman on the Ware road a part of this week.

Mrs. Henry C. Walker and son of Springfield have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Campbell on Chapel street.

Miss Katherine Brosnahan has returned to Springfield after spending two weeks' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael T. Brosnahan.

Rev. Eaton B. Marshall, pastor of the Methodist church, went to Cushman Monday to give an address at the 60th anniversary of the church Mr. Marshall formerly had charge of the church there.

The Lincoln Debating society elected the following officers for the next six months at a meeting Monday afternoon: President, Edward Mahan; vice president, Miss Ivy Minnick; secretary, Miss Inez Dufresne; treasurer, Miss Fannie Tagan; executive committee, David McFarlane, Miss Elizabeth Sullivan, Miss Elizabeth Haley.

The French Canadian Artisan society installed officers for the coming year Monday night. The officers are: President, Leon Demers; first vice president, Damase Racine; second vice president, Joseph Renard; secretary and treasurer, W. C. Arthur Hebert; marshals, Noe Gravelin and Hubert Houle; auditors, Onesime Ducharme, Zenon Ducharme, Hector Hebert, Oswald Fredette; physician, Dr. J. E. N. Bohemler.

The new parochial residence recently completed for Rev. Philias Trottier, pastor of St. Thomas's church, was formally blessed by Bishop Thomas D. Beaven of Springfield Wednesday afternoon. Among the priests who attended the exercises were Rev. J. J. Madden of Springfield, Rev. J. V. Campeau of Three Rivers, Rev. H. Hamelin of Willimansett, Rev. J. E. St. Onge of Fiskdale, Rev. J. J. Tuit and Rev. E. Chicoine of Worcester, Rev. James F. Sheehan of Ware and Rev. D. H. Dalpe of Springfield. After the exercises a dinner was served to the visiting priests.

The following officers of St. John the Baptist society were installed Tuesday evening: President, Pierre Girouard; vice president, Charles Chaput; recording secretary, A. Omer Hebert; financial secretary, Pierre Brousseau; assistant financial secretary, Adrien Fredette; corresponding secretary, Edward Desforges; treasurer, Joseph H. Hebert; directors, Pierre Cadieux, Adolph Vigneaux, Omer Boucher, Theodore Guyon, Onesime Ducharme; visiting committee, Edward Boisvert, John W. Fountaine, Joseph Lapierre, Adelard Danis, Remi Delage; chief marshall, Goudois Bernard.

OUR LEGISLATIVE LETTER.

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while some further purging would benefit the body, yet the situation is so much better apparently, than last year, that it is occasion for congratulation. What the House will prove to be cannot be predicted, for about half of the members are new, but some of the able old members are here again and there is a good leadership to carry business forward promptly.

Indications are that the state house will feel the presence of the Democracy more than it has since the Russell administration—which is only natural. Party leaders have been close to Gov. Douglas during the last month. Conferences have been held with him repeatedly by such leaders as Mayor Collins, Judge John J. Flaherty, the chairman of the Democratic committee (that is to be, as is expected), ex-Mayor Quincy, Congressmen McNary and Sullivan, ex-Senator Corbett, and so on, including Byron W. Holt of New York, the tariff expert who has written much on the subject and who is credited with preparing much of the tariff matter which Gov. Douglas used in his tariff speeches last fall. The inaugural will show that there has been much study of the tariff situation, and the strength of the presentation is doubtless due, in part to the diligence of Holt in gathering his facts and arguments. Labor leaders doubtless have had the ear of the governor to a material degree and the message shows proof of it. But, if the Republicans take the advice of their presiding officers, they will act upon all these matters upon their merits, not with the desire of putting the governor in a hole.

Senator Lodge will deliver on January 19 his eulogy upon the character and services of Senator Hoar. The election of United States senators will occur on Tuesday, January 17, the second Tuesday of the session, according to law, and advantage will be taken of Senator Lodge's presence in the state to have him deliver the oration. It is expected that the senator will exert himself to his fullest capacity, for, even more than at the funeral of Roger Wolcott, or his oration, rather, the subject will demand all the wealth of eulogy at the senator's command. There will be a joint convention of the branches to hear the oration.

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Wait for an Appetite.

A prolific cause of chronic indigestion is eating from habit and simply because it is mealtime and others are eating. To eat when not hungry is to eat without relish, and food taken without relish is worse than wasted. Without relish the salivary glands do not act, the gastric fluids are not freely secreted, and the best of foods will not be digested. Many perfectly harmless dishes are severely condemned for no other reason than they were eaten perfunctorily and without relish and due insalivation.

Hunger makes the plainest foods enjoyable. It causes vigorous secretion and outpouring of all the digestive fluids, the sources of ptyalin, pepsin, trypsin, etc., without a plentiful supply of which no foods can be perfectly digested.

Wait for an appetite, if it takes a week. Fasting is one of the saving graces. It has a spiritual significance only through its great physical and physiologic importance. If breakfast is a bore or lunch a matter of indifference, cut one or both of them out. Wait for distance and unmistakable hunger and then eat slowly. If you do this you need ask few questions as to the propriety and digestibility of what you eat, and it need not be predigested.—Exchange.

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Charles Gilman residing on the Ware road, says: "While I do not want it to be understood that I have been completely cured by Doan's Kidney Pills, you can say for me that they have done me a world of good and I can recommend them to anyone as a good reliable remedy. I have been troubled off and on for some time with dull, heavy, aching pains through my kidneys and loins, and I have had also spells of dizziness in my head. If I bent over to lift anything it hurt me and caused my back to ache severely. Mr. LeGro recommended Doan's Kidney Pills to me and I commenced to use them some weeks ago. The pain has already left me and I am not troubled with dizziness as formerly. I can stoop without feeling twinges, in fact to tell the truth I feel better than I have in many a long day."

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The Small Boy's Diary.

There is a certain nine-years-old kid in this city who is keeping a diary. The book was given him last Christmas by a relative, and his father had forgotten all about it until he accidentally found the volume the other day. Curious to see what his small son had written in it, he opened the book and found that the diary had been faithfully kept. Here are a few of the entries:

"I am nine years old to-day. Looked in the glass, but whiskars aint sproutin' yet."

"Sassed a boy. Got lickt."

"Pop horrid ten cents for car fair, that makes $1 15 he owes me. Wonder if He ever get it."

"Jimmy——stole my ball, I lickt him for it."

"Ast Pop for some of my money and he giv me a nickil. I want that doler."

"We feloes got up a baseball club to-day. Ime picher. If I had that doler 15 I could get a uniform."

"Pop got paid to-day and giv me my money."

"Mamma horrid a doler. Dam these people anyway. A feloe cant save nothin'."

"Ast Pop about banks. I want to put my money ware carfair aint so skarse."

"Got lickt again."

There was more of this, but "Pop" had read enough. As a result there was a conference, and now the arrangement is to pay five per cent a week interest, and settle every pay day The kid got his "uniform."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

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Nails grow both in thickness and length. The increase in thickness is caused by the formation of nerve cells on the bed of the nail; the increase in length, through the formation of new folds at the hinder part of the bed. The nail, thus constantly receiving additions from below and from behind, is slowly pushed forward over its bed till it projects beyond the end of the finger and is cut off at intervals or worn away.

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Belle. "Did you have to help him out when he proposed?" May. "No; papa did."—Town topics.

Woman of the House—"You're not one of these labor agitators, are you?" Goodman Gonrong (with his mouth full of pie)—"No, ma'am. I'm a rest agitator."—Exchange.

"What kind of a man is Jones?" "Well"—"Well, what?" "He's the kind of a man that gives his children shoes and overcoats for Christmas presents."—Houston Post.

"I hear you went out for a little spin in your automobile yesterday," said Jenkins. "I went out for several," replied B Ginner "but fortunately they didn't hurt me much."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Elder Sister—"Really, dear, you mustn't put 'I remain ever your loving Nellie Tomkins.' You may put 'I remain your loving Nellie Tompkins' if you like, but underline the 'remain.' Father's been throwing ont hints about the long courtship, darling!"

Gritty George—"Lady, I hear dat yer cuckoo clock is out of order." The Lady—"What of that?" Gritty George—"Well, I just want to say dat I'll sit aronnd an' do de cuckooin' every hour for me board an' lodgin'. I'm always willin' to work."—Philadelphia Record.

Tramp (piteously)—"Please help a cripple at this festive season, sir." Kind Old Gent (handing him some money). "Bless me, why, of conrse. How are you crippled, my poor fellow?" Tramp (pocketing the money.)—"Financially crippled, sir."—Glasgow Times.

"Now, Tommy," said the teacher, "what is this word I have written on the board—s-l-o-w?" "Dunno." "Oh, yes, you do—think. What does your papa call yon when you go on an errand and don't get back for a long time?" "You'd lick me if I told yer, ma'am."—Cleveland Leader.

The Moberly (Mo.) Democrat says that the other day a woman walked up to Judge Ratliff of Moberly and asked, "Are you the judge of reprobate?" "I am the judge of probate," was his reply. "Well, that's it, I expect," said the woman. "You see, my husband died detested and left me several little infidels and I want to be appointed their executioner."

Visitor—"I suppose you had a very gay season last summer?" Miss Giddyhead—"No, indeed! I have been so busily engaged with benevolent work that I have really had no time for frivolties. With the charity balls, bazars, private theatricals and masquerades all for the benefit of the poor, I have sacrificed myself entirely to the work of charity."—Stray Stories.

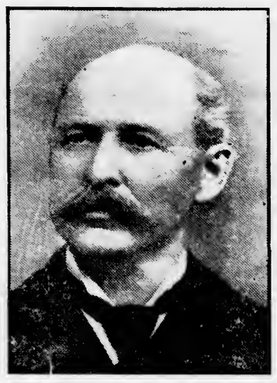
Governor Douglas' Inaugural Address.

Members of the General Court:

With gratitude to the people and a full realization of the responsibilities placed upon me, I enter upon my duties with the determination to be the Chief Executive of all the people of the State, and to do all within my power to promote the welfare of the Commonwealth and its inhabitants.

The problems of statecraft are so numerous and far-reaching that it is with the greatest difficulty that the good are sifted from the bad measures and enacted into laws. This is a work occupying the best energies of our greatest minds, and each year shows the beneficent results of study for the advancement of our people.

I wish to urge upon you at the outset the avoidance of so-called class legislation, that is, legislation calculated to benefit one portion of our citizenship at the expense of another. In its broadest and most emphatic sense, no general legislation should be enacted that does not distribute burdens and benefits equally upon all.



GOVERNOR DOUGLAS.

In this declaration, and that we shall now proceed with the people's business, and so conduct it that our record here will add another to the many bright pages of the State's history.

DEFENCE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS.

The executive department of the government should not only treat with consideration all grievances of the people, but should take the initiative in securing justice where real cause of complaint is found to exist. The influences which menace our popular rights are always powerful and well organized, while the wrongs inflicted fall on individuals, who cannot defend themselves without like organization. The executive elected by the people should be alert and active in providing such defence, and I desire to signify my intention to exercise to such an end all the powers vested in me and my subordinates.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE GEORGE FRISBIE HOAR.

In the year just closed Massachusetts has suffered by death the loss of one of its honored sons,—George Frisbie Hoar, for many years a senator of Massachusetts in the Congress of the United States. His life work was devoted to our people, and in his passing every son of Massachusetts delighted to pause and record his admiration for one of nature's noblest, most honest men.

I recommend to you the appointment of a joint committee for the purpose of devising an appropriate memorial to the life and character of the late Mr. Hoar, and ask of you to appropriate such money as is necessary to perpetuate fittingly the memory of a man who honored the State of his birth.

I also recommend that joint action be taken setting aside a day of the General Court when tributes to his memory may be paid in this hall by those who knew and loved him best.

REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES.

Rough estimates received from the Auditor indicate that the regular running expenses of the State government in 1905 will be $10,372,433 and the total available revenue $7,250,000, leaving an estimated deficit of $3,122,433. This deficit will be increased by all appropriations which may be made by the Legislature for other than ordinary running expenses.

Unless other sources of revenue are provided, the State tax must be made to yield over $3,000,000. To do this the tax will have to be increased fifty 50 percent above what it has been in former years.

As pointed out by my predecessor a year ago, the reason for this great increase in expenditures is that the State is now caring for the insane, formerly cared for by cities and towns. This transfer of the insane has increased the State expenses fully $1,100,000. The very high cost of fuel, food and clothing is responsible for much of the remaining increase.

These statements not only indicate the great necessity for economy in administration, but that enterprises requiring appropriations of consequence should be entered into with extreme caution. The State debt is now too large: it should not be increased for any but the most extraordinary purposes.

THE TWELVE-DOLLAR TAX LIMIT.

The law limiting the tax rate in cities and towns for local purposes to $12 on each $1000 of assessed value is producing bad results. From information obtained from about half of our cities it appears that the rate is so low that the majority of our municipalities are unable to live inside of this limit and conduct their affairs as the people want them conducted. As a result, all kinds of devices are resorted to in order to obtain sufficient revenue.

Some cities are taking money from water rates to keep them within the $12 limit, others receive money from liquor licenses. Others are obliged to make permanent loans to pay current expenses, and to refund present debts, which is bad policy.

In at least one city the assessed value of real estate has been pushed up until residential property is assessed for fully 50 percent more than its market value. Some cities have asked for and obtained special legislation abolishing this tax limit for a period of years.

In some way, nearly all of our cities appear to be hampered by this law, which makes it more difficult and expensive for those that cannot exist within this limit to obtain the additional funds.

I would urge that the Legislature make a thorough investigation of this question, and devise some reasonable method of relieving the cities unable legitimately to comply with the law as it now stands.

STATE CONTROL OF LOCAL POLICE.

In 1885 a departure was made from the time-honored and successful system of local self-government, and the control of its own police was taken from the city of Boston and vested in a commission appointed by the Governor.

The assumption of this power by the Commonwealth has resulted in no good to it, or to any party in it, and the Commonwealth should acknowledge the fact.

I recommend a return to the principle of home rule by the enactment of a law restoring to Boston and Fall River, respectively, the control of their own police forces.

Under existing law each city and town decides whether liquor shall or shall not be sold within its limits, and the application of this principle could well be extended so as to include the right of decision by the voters in the several cities and towns of the hours in which innholders therein can serve intoxicating liquors to their guests.

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE TARIFF.

I desire to call your attention to a matter that, while more national than local, and while it is one over which your body has no control, is yet of vital importance to this Commonwealth.

Massachusetts' industrial greatness is due in a measure to her natural opportunities, but more largely to her freedom of trade with the other States, to her sturdy, hardworking, frugal, skilful, intelligent, honest and patriotic people, and to her good government.

We must, however, realize that conditions are changing, and that it is unsafe for Massachusetts to stand still and to depend entirely for industrial success upon the same factors that have in the past kept her to the forefront. I believe that our wide-awake New England people appreciate this situation, and I expect to see them solve these new problems as they have previously solved others.

Cost of Living.—Since the passage of the present tariff law, in 1897, the cost of living has increased about 38 percent. As prices have not risen half as much in England since 1897, it is fair to suppose that a large part of the increased cost of living in this country is due to the tariff law.

High Wages Not a Handicap.—The flow of manufactured goods the world over demonstrates that high daily and weekly wages are not a real handicap to our industries. Everywhere, with but few exceptions, we see those manufactured goods requiring the most labor, and in which the percentage of labor cost is greatest, flowing from the high to the low wage countries. Our exported wheat, sown, harvested, threshed and ground by labor receiving from one to three dollars per day, competes in England with wheat from Russia and India, grown and harvested by labor receiving from twenty to fifty cents per day. It would seem to be almost a law of trade that high wages and low labor cost go hand in hand.

Massachusetts Industries Overburdened.—Because of her isolated condition as to materials and food supplies, Massachusetts feels the burden of tariff taxes more than most other States. Against these taxes she is now vigorously protesting. The situation in Massachusetts is also peculiar because of her great extent of seacoast and her numerous harbors, making it cheaper to bring in imported goods than it is to transport them from the central and western States. Naturally, then, she would draw on Canada and other foreign countries for many of her materials and supplies.

Deprived of the benefits of natural access to foreign supplies by the high duties of the tariff, which tend to prohibit imports, she is compelled to pay excessive prices for most materials and for some foods and other supplies which she obtains from the interior States. Boston is the natural seaport for Montreal and eastern Canada, but here again the present tariff laws interfere and deprive our greatest city of the benefits of her location.

Reciprocity with Canada.—Whether relief from these tariff taxes be granted to us through legislation reducing tariff duties, or through reciprocal trade treaties with Canada and other countries, is less important than that it be immediate. If it be true, as claimed by many, that we have waited too long, and that Canada will no longer treat with us, then we of Massachusetts have the right to expect the revision of our tariff laws, regardless of those of any other country.

But I am not convinced that it is too late to obtain something of value from Canada by means of a fair reciprocity treaty. The mutual advantages to both countries from a proper reciprocal trade arrangement would be so great that it should not be difficult to negotiate such a treaty. Is it not fair to suppose that if the representatives of these two great nations can come together, unfettered by obligations to special interests and concerned only in the welfare of their countries, they will be able to negotiate treaties of great advantage to both countries?

Industrial Commission.—Appreciating that the tariff is primarily a national issue, I am also of the opinion that it affects different localities in different ways, and that it is impossible for any body of legislators, even if disposed to consider only the public welfare, always to determine definitely what legislation will result in the greatest good to the greatest number of our citizens. So many issues are presented at our national elections, and the personalities of the opposing candidates for President and for the Congress so greatly influence the electorate, that our national legislators are seldom certain of the opinions of a majority of our voters on any issue. It is, therefore, it seems to me, not only proper, but desirable, that a State should, at any time it may see fit, express itself upon any national question and request its representatives in Congress to vote for what it considers its own best interests.

To determine, as accurately as possible, the nature and extent of the great injury which, as I believe, is inflicted upon our Commonwealth by excessive tariff taxes; to suggest a remedy or remedies; and to put this knowledge before our citizens and our representatives in Congress, I ask of the General Court authority to appoint a commission to inquire into and report upon the effect of the present tariff laws upon Massachusetts' industries.

This commission should be empowered to hold hearings, and, if necessary, to obtain statistical and other information from outside of the Commonwealth. It should be required to make a final report not later than April 1, 1905. It should consider the advisability of a referendum vote on one or more of its conclusions,—the primary object of such vote being to obtain an expression of opinion from the people for the information and guidance of our representatives in the Congress.

Of the importance of knowing our own tariff needs, and the possibility of thus influencing national legislation in our favor, are so great that the small cost of such a commission should hardly be considered.

Free Hides and Coal.—The present high and rapidly advancing prices of leather are weighing heavily upon one of our greatest industries,—that of boots and shoes. So great has been the advance in the cost of making shoes that manufacturers must soon, unless relief comes, use cheaper and inferior materials, and thus reduce the quality of their goods. The small margin of profits in many established lines of manufacturing trade if the prices of goods are advanced or their quality cheapened, causes great anxiety to many of our manufacturers.

Confronted by these conditions, the prompt removal of the duty on hides is necessary to relieve our boot and shoe industry from a most distressful condition. It is evident, from recent and present quotations of cattle, beef and leather, that the farmers and cattle raisers will get something from the duty of fifteen percent on hides. While the prices of cattle are very low and have been so ever since the beginning of the year, yet ever since the hide duty was levied, the prices of beef and of leather are extremely high. But, although our farmers have enjoyed the benefit from the fifteen percent duty on hides they have by it been compelled to pay higher prices for shoes and harness. They, also would benefit by the removal of the duties on hides and leather. It may have been true, years ago, before the great majority of cattle were slaughtered by the beef packers, and when the hides were not sold on the cattle's backs, that a duty on hides would have protected and benefited farmers and cattle raisers; but it is not so today.

In the language of one of our prominent leather dealers, who is also a representative of large tanning interests: "our factories and manufacturing shoes are far superior to those found in any other country. To keep them fully employed we need raw hides, and we need the market for finished shoes, and the opportunity to obtain the raw material at a cost no higher than other manufacturing nations, that the present high tariff in its practical working has utterly failed to benefit the producer of the hide or show a revenue for the government is an impediment in the path of one of the greatest business interests of the country, and there will be no cessation of protest until this especially bibulous tax has been expunged from the laws of the land."

Coal, the great source of power for our factories and of heat and light for our homes, is one of the essentials to our industrial life. It should be as cheap as possible. The duty of sixty-seven cents per ton on bituminous coal clearly produces both the hard and soft coal consumers especially as regards New England, and enables them to charge our manufacturers and other consumers higher prices for coal. With untaxed coal we would have access to the product of the provinces, and this would compel lower prices for all kinds of coal in this market. The cost of transporting coal from the provinces to Boston is only about half that of transporting it from Pennsylvania or West Virginia to Boston.

Similar arguments might be made in favor of untaxed leather, paper pulp and carpet wools. The prompt removal of the duties on these materials would result in great and permanent good to important industries of this Commonwealth, and would, as I believe, result in injury to any important industry deserving of protection. However, as there is strongly marked disagreement as to these duties which would cause delay in Congress, I shall not urge all of them upon you for immediate consideration; but being certain that the interests of Massachusetts demand the immediate removal of the duties on hides and coal, I earnestly urge that you memorialize Congress to remove these duties at the present session.

LABOR LEGISLATION.

In no Commonwealth of the Union is such a large proportion of the people engaged in industrial pursuits as here in Massachusetts. Upon the intelligence, skill and willingness of the workers depends the supremacy of our manufactures in the markets of the world. Massachusetts in many enlightened labor laws has been the leader of the States; and while much has been accomplished, there yet remains more to do. The fear of changed or changing conditions should not turn us from that broad and humane view of our duty which is indeed not only worthy of our care, but is entitled to the release, the opportunity and the necessary income to provide for the present and future necessities of himself and family, to elevate himself by education into an employer, and to finally become the instrument to lessen the burden of the ever-coming toiling masses.

We are unwilling that our intelligent workers should be subjected to the uncontrollable conditions of less progressive States than Massachusetts. Our working people should not be forced to meet these conditions by lowering their standards of living. Therefore it behooves this General Court to encourage any and all measures tending to promote a higher or better grade of manufactures within the Commonwealth, to the end that the skill of Massachusetts artisans may be utilized to its fullest extent, and not brought into open competition with the crude product of mills and factories of other States where public sentiment has not been sufficiently aroused to prevent the debasement of those who toil.

The movement for the shorter work day is progressing. Most of the cities and towns of the State are on record as favoring and practicing it; but, singularly, the Commonwealth itself has been backward in adopting such legislation as would place our State in line on this question.

From the mills, factories and workshops in all sections of the Commonwealth there comes an appeal that should not go unheeded. It is the petition of the women and minors for the enactment of a law prohibiting the overtime work in factories and mills after a reasonable hour. To such a measure, framed with due regard for all concerned, I commend your earnest consideration.

Another matter deserving more careful study is the hygienic conditions of our mills and factories. All the necessities for the promotion of good health should be ever present, to enable the worker to labor with best results. The matter of proper ventilation, light and toilet facilities should receive careful study from you.

I also wish to urge upon you the necessity for doing what is possible to secure the enactment by other States of laws similar to those of Massachusetts concerning child labor and the employment of women.

It is because Massachusetts has been foremost of all States in the enactment of laws for the welfare of its workers that she is a leader among the manufacturing Commonwealths. To continue in this course is the duty of you, gentlemen, to whom the electorate has committed the destiny of Massachusetts.

CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION.

In the enactment of laws, the creation of the necessary board for their execution and the adoption of the principle by those who work and those who pay, Massachusetts leads all States of the Union in conciliation and arbitration of industrial disputes. It is one of the hopeful signs of the times that the demoralizing strike is of less frequent occurrence in our Commonwealth. Industrial peace has reigned almost supreme in those manufacts of industry revolve steadily and the full pay envelope comes along regularly while differences of opinion are being settled by reason rather than spight. The conciliation branch of the work, which includes trade agreements, the adjusting and composing of difficulties before they reach the acute state, is as important as the board's other function of arbitration.

The benefits of conciliation and arbitration to the community, the worker and the employer are not as well understood as they should be for the welfare of the Common wealth, and I trust the General Court may devise some method that will educate those most vitally interested in the subject to a better understanding of the wisdom of submitting grievances to an impartial board of arbiters; also that you, gentlemen, will favor such legislation as tends to promote the better working of the system already established in the State.

The work of the Board can with advantage be extended to include the authority to investigate at its discretion cases where duty it shall be to make examination and investigation of industrial conditions in localities within the Commonwealth, as all cases coming to the Board, to the end that the Board may be seasonably informed of matters which may grow into misunderstandings before such disagreements arrive, and ultimately, perchance, result in strikes or lockouts, thus disturbing the industrial peace of the Commonwealth.

INDUSTRIAL AND TRADE SCHOOLS.

No effort should be spared to keep Massachusetts to the front in the industrial world. Since the practical abolition of apprenticeship systems and the specialization of labor in most of our mills and factories, there is but little opportunity for learning a trade. Today most workers understand but one small part of an industry. Their opportunities for promotion are greatly lessened by this fact, and the difficulty of obtaining men qualified for foremen and superintendents is often great. A practical knowledge of an industry as a whole, and of the sciences upon which it rests, would open the doors to promotion for many bright workers now compelled to work at a machine or bench. If a considerable part of our factory employees had a more comprehensive knowledge of the industry in which they were engaged, they would are quicker to appreciate and adopt improvements, we would have better foremen and superintendents, our factories would be better conducted and our industries would make greater progress.

In my opinion the industrial and trades schools are largely responsible for the great advancement made in many industries in Germany and England. We now import millions of dollars' worth of goods that could and should be produced here. Technical knowledge would not only enable our workers to produce these goods at home, but would greatly increase our export trade.

In my judgment Massachusetts made a good investment when it gave financial encouragement to our textile schools and our nautical training school. I believe we should have similar schools in other industries.

I would also suggest the advisability of agricultural schools, where a practical knowledge of horticulture, forestry and of the animal industries shall be taught. Small rural schools of this kind scattered throughout the State and large agricultural schools would, in my opinion, not only do much to keep the country boys at home, but would cause our New England farms to become as productive and profitable as is possible.

DIRECT LEGISLATION.

I have unbounded faith in the intelligence of our people and their ability to govern themselves. Our colony and Commonwealth have been bred in pure democracy through the town meeting, which has educated the people to the transaction of their own business, and has produced local administration as free from corruption or excess as any in the world. Therefore, no reason why this system should be confined to towns and may not be wisely extended, in certain cases, to the State. In deed, our Constitution is amended by popular vote directly upon the measure proposed, and if our organic law is thus confided to the direct vote of the people, it would be no innovation if some other measure approval were to be required upon measures of legislation which are clearly inferior in dignity and importance to constitutional amendments.

It is common complaint that our Legislatures are not always responsive to the popular will, and that laws are made within the principles of democratic government if, by convenient means, the will of the people should be made effective upon legislative measures proved unsatisfactory. Such measures have already been put to the test elsewhere with results uniformly good.

It is difficult to conceive of a method that can be so safe a grant of power to the people over their legislation. As members of the Legislature, we represent our constituents, and our duty should not object if their constituents be given power to reverse or approve their acts. If the objection be made that the people cannot be trusted, such an objection is a denial of the success of popular government as shown by the history of town meetings for more than two centuries.

Especially do I commend the passage of a law giving broad powers to the people of our cities to secure the submission to them of acts of the city councils affecting the interests of the citizens. Such a law would be in my judgment do more to unify the state and city governments than any other plan of reform. Any unfair grants of privileges to private individuals and corporations would thus be prevented by popular judgment, and Legislatures would become more cautious as they became directly accountable to the people for their acts.

I believe that the public outcry against the prevailing legislative methods is the natural and inevitable result of the granting of valuable franchises by the State, and especially those known as public franchises, which derive their value from the municipal life in the community. When capital has been invested in these franchises, it receives at once, in the nature of things, a conflict between the public, which desires the cheapest and best service, and the franchise owners, whose purpose is to gain profit. It is futile to expect that Legislature continues the sole distributor of these valuable franchises, that it will not be invaded by men who seek them, or that their possessors will not protect their privileges to the utmost.

If the people are given the right by direct vote to determine whether such franchises shall be granted, and how, within legal limitations, they shall be exercised, the seekers and holders of such franchises will be compelled to meet the popular requirement.

I believe this principle to be wise and salutary, and recommend legislation along these lines.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

I recommend legislation giving to cities and towns wider powers in the conduct of business which derives its profit from the necessities of the community. The powers already granted have proved the economy and wisdom of the conduct of such business by the community itself.

Widely diverse doubts may exist as to the expediency of State or federal ownership of public utilities, the operation of such undertakings by towns and cities has long passed the experimental stage. It has been demonstrated by the experience of towns and cities in this Commonwealth, both in municipal gas water supply and public lighting, that under favorable conditions and proper management the business of municipal lighting and water supply can be conducted by municipal corporations with profit to the inhabitants, both in price and in service.

In many cases of privately owned public service corporations the rates, fares and prices charged are too high. The public is entitled to reasonable charges for the services of these monopolies. It will be far more likely to obtain service at reasonable prices if it has the right to do business on its own account.

When a public service corporation is giving good service at fair rates it is not likely to be disturbed. When its rates and prices are unreasonable, if the interest of the public welfare, be disturbed.

It is not disputed that, as a rule, private corporations conduct their business more economically than do public corporations. It is, however, disputed that the public usually obtains the benefit of this economical management. In most cases, therefore, the publicly owned and operated water works, sewers, gas and electric lighting plants have given the public cheaper and better service than have the privately owned concerns. For these reasons, I ask the Legislature to give every reasonable facility to those municipalities who desire to conduct their own public-service utilities.

Appreciating the difficulties of obtaining good business management and economical production by municipalities, I urge you, when making laws for municipal ownership, to so frame them that the evils of political mismanagement will, so far as possible, be eliminated. With proper legislation it should be possible to obtain most of the benefits without any of the evils of privately owned and operated public-service corporations. It may be wise to permit private operation with public ownership.

If, when guarded by as careful and wise legislation as is possible, certain municipalities should fail in their attempt to give better service to the public, it will be because the citizens of these municipalities do not insist upon having their municipal plants conducted in a business like manner. The principle of municipal ownership is sound. In cases where unsatisfactory results are produced, the fault is usually to be found in a lax or extravagant administration. I believe that every such franchise taken over by the public relieves the people from possible exaction, practiced for private profit. With the low rates at which municipalities can borrow, and the elimination of dividends, the rates must be inevitably lowered and the people become alone responsible for the efficiency of the service.

At present the laws offer great obstacles to the assumption of such works by the municipalities.

A necessary change in the law is to provide that when a company gives its plant under the provisions of the statute, the municipality may enter into possession at once, thus removing the temptation from the company to delay the valuation for the sake of taking extra profits out of the business by letting the plant run down during litigation.

PENAL LAWS.

I ask your attention to our penal system, and in suggesting its modification I trust *it is not necessary for me to disclaim any purpose to weaken the dignity of the law or the security of the community. The tendency of modern legislation is toward a broader humanity in the penal system,* which, in all its harshness, took from the mother country.

There is a tendency among those who do not know the lot of the unfortunate to treat offenders against the law with uniform severity regardless of the conditions which may surround them and their offences. I believe that the majority of offenders are creatures of condition and environment rather than of deliberate purpose, and that just treatment may redeem many when the rigor of punishment may serve not to correct, but rather to confirm, evil impulses.

In domestic and school discipline corporal punishment has been largely displaced by moral suasion, and I question if our criminal system has not kept pace with this development. Punishment by imprisonment brands the offender with indelible disgrace and discourages him from redeeming his reputation. The number of convictions in our Commonwealth, according to population, is believed to exceed that of any other State in the Union. This is undoubtedly due to the rigor of our criminal laws and administration, for we cannot believe that the criminal instinct is more in our Commonwealth is greater than in any other State.

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I would suggest the inherent evil in the requirement of the law that those guilty of minor offences should stand committed who unable to pay a fine. Such a commitment of the poor necessarily takes away the opportunity to earn money with which to pay the fine, and it seems possible to devise a system by which such persons could be allowed a period of probation in which they may earn the amount of the fine and thus be spared imprisonment.

I urge upon the Legislature a broad and humane consideration of this general subject of simple justice, feeling sure that the members will share with me the life-long satisfaction which would follow our successful efforts to lessen the hardship of criminal punishment and save many unfortunates from disgrace and desperation.

EQUAL, UNIFORM AND REASONABLE RATES.

The remoteness of Massachusetts from the sources from which are obtained the raw products so necessary to the successful conduct of its numerous and varied manufacturing interests, intensifies the ever widening distance from the centre of density of the nation's population and markets, brings sharply and emphatically to our people the importance of facilities, both in rates and in transportation, as favorable as those accorded to producers and manufacturers of other sections. Our industries will stand upon a parity with all others in reaching competitive markets, both foreign and domestic. I now aware that this subject is not under the control of the Legislature of this Commonwealth. I deem it my duty, however, to suggest the propriety of passing a resolve for the approval of the efforts of our business and transportation interests to secure for our people equal, uniform and reasonable rates, and the removal of unnecessary discriminations, injurious to our industrial growth and prosperity, from which we suffer as compared with our business rivals at other ports of the country.

GOOD ROADS.

It is hardly possible to say too much in favor of good roads. They benefit every citizen. They add wealth and taxable value to the State. To the farmer they are almost invaluable. They give him easier and cheaper access to markets; they bring rural homes and churches nearer to each other and thus make farm life more social and pleasant; they increase the value of farm lands.

A permanent system of keeping in repair, as well as of construction, should be decided upon which will, as soon as possible, make our State the proud models of excellence and the pride of future generations. I also commend to your consideration the necessity of devising some more equitable plan for the distribution of the cost of construction and keeping in repair all such roads.

CHANGE IN FINANCIAL YEAR.

I renew the recommendation of my predecessor that the date of closing the financial year be changed from December 31 to September 30. I trust the General Court will take such action as is necessary to bring about this very much needed change.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

I recommend that a small sum be placed at the disposal of the Governor and Council for an investigation of the Commonwealth's books of bookkeeping and accounting by an expert, familiar with modern methods.

THE TAXATION OF FOREST LANDS.

The preservation of our water supply and the prosperity of a great part of *the land in this State alike require its de*votion to timber culture; but no such use of land is possible under our present system of taxation. I recommend to your consideration the enactment of legislation which, under proper safeguards, shall provide that lands devoted to forestry shall be taxed only on their product as cut.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT CHELSEA.

My attention has been called to the condition of the Soldiers' Home at Chelsea. It appears that the home was opened in 1884, with a capacity of about 100; that it has an utility even, until now it has accommodations for about 450. This capacity is exhausted at present, there being only about 25 vacant beds, and more than that number of furloughed men likely to return at any time and occupy them. Applications for admission must necessarily be denied while this state of things exists. The prospect is, of course, for a greater rather than a lesser demand for accommodations, as the soldiers grow older and less able to support themselves.

About one-third of the members of the home are in the hospital, and the proportion is rapidly increasing. The hospital facilities are entirely overtaxed. There is great need that something should be done to obviate the difficulties attending the care of so many invalids among the old soldiers.

At one time, by the rules of the institution, in many cases a portion of the pensions coming to the men was used to assist in the expenses of conducting the home; but during the present year a law of Congress operates to prevent the use of the pensions for that purpose.

The increasing expenses, and the increasing demand for facilities at the home and the hospital, call for some measure of relief to aid the authorities there in carrying out the purpose for which it has been fostered and encouraged. Some of the officials of the Grand Army of the Republic have devoted their attention and thought to the interests of the home, and are sorely puzzled as to ways and means of preserving it, and of adding to its facilities.

Massachusetts has always done her full duty to her soldiers, and has always kept in mind their welfare and well being. That policy should certainly be borne in mind in considering what should be done at this time in behalf of those men who deserve so much from the Commonwealth whose honor they upheld.

OBSERVANCE OF OLD-HOME WEEK.

To all who have concern for the welfare of the Commonwealth, the general and hearty acceptance by the people of Massachusetts of the annual old home week observance is a most encouraging symptom. This admirable institution has already shown itself to be a potent factor in the awaken ing of local public spirit and civic pride, and it should be fostered in every legitimate way.

Any movement which at regular periods brings back to our State considerable numbers of its 200,000 sons and daughters who have made new homes elsewhere is to be commended, inasmuch as such visits must unfailingly benefit in both a sentimental and a material way every community receiving them.

These yearly gatherings of present and former residents, resulting in the mutual renewal of old ties and associations, the rekindling of fond memories of youth and the kindling anew of loyalty to the old home, unquestionably make for a higher life and a broader civilization.

Under the act of 1902, cities by their city councils, and towns at legal town meetings, may appropriate money for the observance of old-home week, that beginning with the last Sunday in July of each year.

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WARE MAN IS MURDERED.

Killed In South Barre Sunday Morning.

STABBED IN ABDOMEN WITH KNIFE.

Row Was Over a Game of Cards; Cutting Took Place at 1.30 a. m., Victim Died at Noon.

Joseph Milos, 42, a Pole, of Ware died at 1.30 Sunday morning in South Barre as the result of a stab wound inflicted by Joseph Tircinski, 24, a Pole, with whom he had a dispute over a game of cards. With a number of their countrymen they were in the kitchen of a Polish tenement at the time of the quarrel. After calling each other names, a quarrel ensued in which the younger man is said to have drawn a small knife or stiletto and stabbed the other man, the wound penetrating the bowels and probably causing an internal hemorrhage.

After the quarrel Milos went upstairs and laid upon a bed, and it was not then supposed by those who remained below that he was seriously injured. At 10.30 Tircinski became alarmed over the condition of Milos and a doctor was summoned. He arrived just before 12 and found Milos dying. Upon inquiring concerning the affair he learned that the man who was said to have done the stabbing had left the town as he entered, and he sent Fred Parmenter, the constable, to arrest him. After a search Tircinski was found concealed in a barn a mile and a half south of South Barre. He made no resistance and was taken to the Barre lockup to await a hearing.

Medical Examiner W. E. Chamberlin of Rutland viewed the body of Milos Sunday afternoon, and it was removed to Ware Wednesday morning by Undertaker J. T. Casey. Funeral services were held in All Saints' church and burial was in Ware. Milos is a brother of Bartholomew Milos, a grocer on Water street in Ware, and had lived in that town until Christmas, working formerly for the coal dealers, Gilbert & Anderson. He went to South Barre, it is said, to make a visit, but remained to work. Tircinski is said to have a wife and one child in Poland.

BASKETBALL.

Ware High 68, Palmer High 4.

The Palmer high school team met with a sad defeat in Ware Saturday, Ware winning by a score of 68 to 4. The summary:

Ware High.	Palmer High
Brannigan, l f,	r g, Provost
Ryan, Harrington, r f,	l g, Cummings
Clark, c,	c, Brierly
Bassett, l g,	r f, Collins
Lyman, r g.	l f, Walker

Score, Ware High 68, Palmer High 4. Goals from field, Lyman, Bassett 3, Ryan 3, Brannigan 4, Clark 9, Harrington 9, Collins. Goals from fouls, Clark 4, Walker 2. Time, 20-minute periods.

Belchertown High 43, South Hadley Falls 9.

Belchertown high school basketball team defeated the South Hadley Falls high school team in the town hall in Belchertown Saturday evening by a score of 43 to 9. The summary:

Belchertown High.	South Hadley High
Austin, r f,	l g, Smith
Atwood, l f,	r g, Sefton
G. Williams, c,	c, Miller
L. Williams, r g,	l f, Kurley
Adkins, l g,	r f, Bean

Goals from floor, Austin 9, Atwood, G. Williams 7, L. Williams 2. Goals from free tries, Austin 3, Adkins 2, Miller, Smith, Kurley, Bean. Referee, Riley.

Monson Academy 22, Stafford High 13.

Monson Academy defeated Stafford high at the Holmes gymnasium in Monson Saturday afternoon 22 to 13, in a rough but interesting game. The first half closed 11 to 8 in Monson's favor; the second half was easier. Hynes and Briggs were the stars on the Monson team, while Shea and Hanley held the honors on the Stafford team. The summary:

Monson Academy.	Stafford High
Faulkner, Cahill, l f,	r g, Bolican
Hynes, r f,	l g, Parkhurst
Briggs, c,	c, Preston
English, Faulkner, l g,	r f, Shea
Rourke, r g,	l f, Hanley

Goals from floor, Hynes 4, Briggs 3, Rourke, Shea 4, Hanley. Goals from fouls, Faulkner 2, Hynes, Briggs, Shea 2, Hanley. Referee, R. Stebbins. Timers, Lester and Hanley. Scorers, Neville and Foley. Time, 20 and 15-minute halves. Attendance, 200.

Monson Academy 34, Alumni 10.

Monson Academy defeated the alumni team, composed of Academy alumni, Tuesday afternoon in Holmes gymnasium. The game was uninteresting, the Academy boys entirely outplaying their opponents. Briggs, Hynes and Faulkner did good shooting for the Academy team, while English played a star blocking game. The summary:

Monson Academy.	Alumni.
Faulkner, l f,	r g, Gath
Hynes, r f	l g, Locke
Briggs, c	c, Reese
English, l g	r f, Crowley
Page, Graves, r g,	l f, Rourke

Baskets from floor, Briggs 9, Hynes 4, Gath 2, Faulkner 2, Crowley. Goals from fouls, Gath, Faulkner 2, Briggs, Hynes. Timer, E. Hanley. Scorer, H. Neville. Referee, F. Dunfield.

Monson Academy 24, Ware High 10.

The Monson Academy football team won its fourth straight victory in Holmes gymnasium in Monson yesterday afternoon by defeating Ware 24 to 10, in a closely contested game. The first half ended 12 to 8 in favor of Monson. The summary:

Monson.	Ware
Faulkner, l f	r g, Ryan
Hynes, r f	l g, Bassett
Briggs, c	c, Lyman
English, l g,	r f, Harrington
Graves, r g	l f, Brannigan

Goals from floor, Briggs 4, Hynes 3, English 2, Faulkner, Brannigan, Ryan, Lyman, Harrington. Goals from fouls, Faulkner 3, Harrington. Referee, J. Skillington. Timer, E. Hanley. Scorer, H. Neville.

The Ware team won an easy victory over the Gilbertvilles in a game at Ware last night by the score of 25 to 14. The floor was slippery and both teams missed their footing frequently. Rogers of the Ware team surprised the crowd by dexterously scoring six baskets. Roach put up a fast game, as did Henry Moore of Gilbertville. The score at the end of the first half stood 10 to 5 in favor of Ware.

Farmers Will be Interested.

The Hatch Experiment Station at Amherst has recently issued Bulletin No. 101 on the subject of concentrated feeds. This bulletin gives the results of a complete examination of all cattle, horse and poultry feeds that were on sale in the state during the present autumn. The consumer is warned against several brands of adulterated mixed wheat feeds, and information is given concerning the composition and feeding value of the numerous manufactured feed stuffs. In addition, the bulletin contains short chapters relative to the particular merits of the most economical concentrates and the cost of a pound of protein contained in them, the most satisfactory grain combinations for dairy animals, together with other matters of timely interest. This bulletin should be in the hands of every feeder of farm stock and may be had upon application.

How Woman's Club May Help Schools.

Superintendent Fuller Gives Some Pertinent Suggestions to Parents. Medical Inspection In the Schools.

The Palmer Woman's Club held an interesting meeting at the home of MRS. A. J. Purinton on Central street last Friday afternoon. The program was under the direction of the education committee of the club and was greatly enjoyed. There were two papers, one by Dr. Edith L. Clarke of Worcester on "Medical Inspection in the Public Schools," and the other by Robert J. Fuller, superintendent of the Palmer public schools, on "Some of the Ways in which the Woman's Club may Help the Schools and the Children." Both were so full of interest and good suggestions that we give them extended space. Dr. Clarke said in part:

"For some time there has been a growing interest and a widespread discussion in regard to the advisability of some form of municipal oversight of the health of school children with a view to check epidemics of contagious disease and to discover and remedy physical defects which have a marked bearing on the health of the individual.

"Medical inspection has been an important factor in the education of children, and parents in matters pertaining to personal and home hygiene, and it has called the attention of health and school boards to need for improvements which had otherwise been overlooked. It has detected abnormal conditions of sight and hearing which, when corrected, made children bright and attentive who had before been dull, listless, backward and apparently incapable of learning. It has prevented epidemics of such diseases as diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles and whooping cough.

"The object of medical inspection as practiced in this country is concisely put in a circular recently issued by the Philadelphia board of health and board of education, when organizing their system of inspection:

The indentification of all pupils requiring medical care.

The prompt exclusion from school of all pupils suffering from transmissible diseases.

The exclusion from school until appropriate medical treatment has been begun of all pupils suffering from other than transmissible diseases.

The detection of defects of sight and hearing and of deformities that may be corrected or improved by medical aid.

"Inspection has been carried on in different parts of Europe since early in 1800, and in many cities it is very thorough, including inspection of the buildings as well as the children. In the United States, Boston was the first to adopt daily medical inspection in 1894, as the result of an unusual prevalence of diphtheria. The success of the experience had an influence on other cities, and soon inspection was begun in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Milwaukee. In Massachusetts at the present time there is a partial or complete system of inspection in Arlington, Andover, Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Danvers, Marlboro, Malden, Newton, New Bedford, Plymouth, Waltham, Watertown and Worcester.

"In Ashury Park a record is kept of the pupils, showing name, age, class, weight, height, general condition, chest measures, condition of spine, heart, lungs, nose, throat, teeth, eyes and ears. This is indexed so that the physical condition of a pupil can be learned in a few minutes.

"Comparison of board of health records of Boston show a marked decrease in the number of cases of contagious diseases in school children since inspection was begun. No one doubts the deleterious effect produced by ill-health upon the capacity of the pupil for study; numerous cases might be given to show the failures made while the child was at school and also in later life by unrecognized physical defects, and if these defects had been seen and repaired there might have been a useful child and a healthy man instead of one partially so.

"The attention of investigators was first called to the health of school children on account of the predominance of eye affections. Refractive errors are very common, being present in as high as 50 per cent of school children. Other very common troubles are partial deafness, diseases of breathing, and chronic inflammation of the upper air passages, enlarged tonsils and adenoids. If the diseases of the respiratory tract are not treated such children have a peculiar susceptibility to contagious diseases. This is especially true of diphtheria.

"Children during school life are in the full course of development, and all parts of the body are sensitive to impressions received, hence they retain both mental and physical impressions more readily. If the influence of these impressions is not watched and regulated permanent injuries may result. This applies not only to disturbances of bodily health but to the origin and development of evil qualities of character and diseased states of the mind.

"Nearly all of our states and territories have compulsory laws by which a child begins his education from the 6th to the 8th year. The only requirement made by the state is the age. Nothing is said in regard to health or protecting the health, and there is no provision made by the state to guard the child from contagious diseases with which the law compells him to be brought in almost daily contact, except the compulsory law of vaccination before entering school, and the board of health regulations in many cities. It therefore seems a duty which the state owes the children to shield them from harm in every possible way. From the economic view the relation between medical inspection and preventable losses from sickness and death is also to be noted. Results seem to prove that a carefully organized system of medical inspection carried out by men and women whose aim is to work for public welfare is productive of good and perhaps necessary to the well-being of school children."

Regarding the ways in which the schools might be helped by the club, Mr. Fuller said in part:

We have gradually come from the idea that the school is the mill of the mind, or the place where the pupil is given book knowledge, to the ideal that the school is for the physical, intellectual and moral development of the pupil. Teachers no longer regard children as mere machines, but realize that the school is for the children, who must be trained to become a part of the social fabric in the community in which they live and that the school is the place for them to begin to learn how to live as social beings. Thus it is that the school is an extremely important factor in the full development of the child. Among the other factors in the healthy growth of the child we must remember that most sacred institution, the home; another factor is the holy church of God; added to these is the most uncertain element of all, the atmosphere which surrounds the child from the time he leaves the home for school. With these several factors each at times contending for the mastery, much responsibility necessarily falls upon the school.

Dr. Horne of Dartmouth defines education as the superior adjustment of a physically and mentally developed conscious human being to his intellectual emotional and volitional environment; in other words, that the whole child—body, mind and soul—must be educated, and we must realize how futile would be the efforts of the school to attempt the task unaided by the home, the community and the church. As the first responsibility lies with the home and the parent and as some parents are inclined to severely censure and criticize the methods of discipline or instruction in the schools without an understanding of the real motive of the teacher, we look to the Woman's Club to establish a closer relation between the home and the school. Through you we expect the teacher to receive a heartier welcome and more cordial support in the community at large than has hitherto been the case. Do not make the teacher a stranger in the homes of the pupils, and do not allow the fathers and mothers to be totally ignorant from actual observation of the work of the schoolroom. Many parents say "I haven't been in a schoolroom for five, ten or fifteen years," and the reason must be a lack of interest. Some of these parents harshly criticize the teachers of their children without knowing the conditions that existed in that room and without knowing or caring to know the events which led up to a certain course of action on the part of the teacher. Some parents believe so implicitly in the word of their children that if there is any error it must lie wholly with the teacher. It is not expected that a growing child will view an action from the standpoint of an adult, hence his judgment of an act is often in error and sometimes false, and for this reason it will not always do to rely upon the word of a child. The teacher, wearied and worn by a roomful of evildoers, in her desire to right her room and with the thought of the greatest good to the greatest number, may have censured your boy or girl, or with a knowledge of your child and his ability may have given him a lower standing than either you or the child feels is just; thus the estrangement continues and instead of a close relation between the parent and teacher, there is a coldness unnecessary and unavailing.

I believe it is for the women's clubs of the state to bring about a change, and as a first step in this direction would suggest the holding of a series of mothers' meetings in each large school building during the remainder of the present year. Begin work at once, expect and receive the hearty support and coöperation of every teacher in every village. The object of these meeting should be to create and make real the common bond between the home and the school. They might be held once each month during the school year. The teachers would willingly send written invitations to each mother and the school board has expressed a willingness to allow the use of the hall in each building and a readiness to help in the work. This movement should come from the parents, as they represent the homes of the pupil. Such meetings have been successfully held and are of great value. The results would be the better acquaintance of the parent with the teacher of her boy or girl, and a more sympathetic bond between the two.

Parents would have an opportunity to tell the teacher exactly concerning the physical health of their children, and there could be a general interchange of ideas.

I am convinced that there is need of a reading room or places in which the boys and girls might spend an hour or two of their evenings. At Three Rivers such a scheme has been tried in the hall of the school building. The papers and magazines were of such an age and nature that the young people would not be readily attracted by them. There are halls suitable for this purpose in every large school building and I suggest the appointment of committees who would provide suitable literature for Three Rivers, Thorndike and Bondsville, and arrange for a regular method of carrying library books to these villages. The school committee will grant the use of a room one hour each evening and I feel confident that I can provide a teacher who will be responsible for order and discipline during the time the rooms are open. The result of such reading rooms carefully and wisely supervised would create an interest in books, and the boys and girls would be kept off the street for a portion of the time at least.

Another suggestion is the establishment of a school bank for the saving of small sums of money from one penny up which so many children have and which they spend for candy, gum and other articles. These banks have been tried in many places and have proved wonderfully successful in instilling into the mind of a child a proper and wholesome idea of thrift and saving. The work of such a plan is not large and when a pupil has accumulated one dollar an account could be opened with the local savings bank, which I am sure would gladly receive all such deposits. In one town of which I have knowledge, in one building of 550 pupils the deposits for the first term amounted to $16 per week with over 225 depositors. This plan gives the child lessons in economy, attention to business details and a less inclination to spend money needlessly.

On the ground that environment has a material affect on the mind and the work of the pupils, the condition of the grounds about the Thorndike, Bondsville and Three Rivers buildings was touched upon and it was suggested that the club might do a little each year toward beautifying these grounds. A definite idea or plan was urged, and a small amount of work done each spring or summer would ultimately result in a material change for the better of the present unsightly condition, especially if the husbands, brothers or fathers were also enlisted in the work. The formation of a society called the School Improvement League was suggested, whose object should be improved school surroundings, interior and exterior, and in time to provide school gardens or some way in which the school may become interested in school growth.

One of the state superintendents predicts

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MONSON'S RURAL PHONES.

Half a Hundred New Ones Have Been Installed.

GROWTH OF THE TELEPHONE SERVICE

History of the Exchange Since Its Establishment in 1897; Now 128 Instruments.

The work of installing the rural telephone in Monson is practically completed, but the men will remain in town several weeks longer, as there is yet a considerable amount of work to be done, changing over lines, etc., as the company proposes to have everything in first-class shape before leaving. The new switchboard has been set up in the central office and is now in use. There are at present 128 telephones in use or will be in a few days, 78 in the village and 50 in the outlying districts. Of the 78 in the village about 35 have been installed in the past few months.

The growth of the New England telephone system in Monson since 1897 has been remarkable. Previous to that time the only telephones in town were at W. N. Flynt & Sons' store and at the W. N. Flynt Granite Co's. office. In 1897 a central office was established in George Fuller's shoe store, where it remained one year. It was then moved across the street into the Dunham block, where it remained one year with Miss Parker as operator. In June, 1898, evening service was added to the system and the central office was moved to Miss Parker's home on Main street, where it has remained since, and subscribers now have all-night and Sunday service, which is greatly appreciated. In 1897 when the central office was opened in Fuller's store, there were 18 subscribers; in 1898 the number increased to 29. There was very little growth until 1902, when the number increased to 48; in 1903 to 57; in 1904 to 61 and Jan. 1, 1905, to 128.

In the early fall a special town meeting was called in answer to a petition from the New England company asking for a franchise to build telephone lines into the outlying districts. There was very little opposition made, and the franchise was granted. Work commenced at once and has been pushed rapidly until 50 telephones are in working order in the outlying districts. The subscribers and their calls as follows:

F. L. Bliss	10-2	A. H. Shaw	12-13
H. D. Moulton	10-12	W. Sutcliffe	12-6
R. N. Hayes	10-3	J. H. Trepania	12-14
G. W. Lent	10-4	O. E. Bradway	12-22
A. H. Burdick	10-11	W. H. Holdridge	12-7
M. Meurlissee	10-13	J. C. Bradway	14-3
W. F. Jewett	10-21	E. N. Harris	14-11
Paul Possart	10-6	F. L. Bradway	14-31
G. H. Davis	10-14	W. M. Spender	14-12
S. Closson	11-11	E. J. Crosby	14-5
H. M. Noble	11-15	J. Gunther	14-13
A. W. Geary	11-12	Elmer Pease	14-21
J. G. Carew	11-5	C. P. Lyon	14-6
L. C. Stebbins	11-13	E. B. Shaw	14-14
A. M. Beebe	11-21	E. N. Bissell	14-22
Carlo Aligena	11-14	C. H. Crosby	14-7
H. A. Rindge	11-22	F. B. Pease	14-15
F. P. Rindge	11-7	Oliver A. Bliss	14-23
S. Smiralgia	11-23	F. D. Rogers	14-16
R. S. Stebbins	12-2	H. D. Vallie	15-4
F. H. Beckwith	12-3	R. D. Tucker	15-11
E. M. Walker	12-11	J. H. Carpenter	15-3
L. G. Gleason	12-4	Jesse P. Carew	15-2
J. R. Sumter	11-12	James Duncan	116-2
H. M. Sutcliffe	12-5	C. C. Keep	116-3

KILLED BY FALLING TREE.

West Warren Man Meets Death in Woodlot Near Brimfield.

Louis C. Rodier, 23, of West Warren, met death in a painful and peculiar manner about 4 Monday afternoon while working with several companions in a woodlot on the Brimfield road, which was recently bought by Charles Smith of Palmer. There is a sawmill on the land, and the men were engaged in cutting the timber. Mr. Rodier was trying to fell a tree which was lodged, and as the tree fell his head was caught between two trees. The other workmen saw the dangerous condition Rodier was in and managed to separate the trees, and Rodier fell heavily to the ground. As he was a very heavy young man, his fall was heavy and he was badly bruised all over the face and body. Medical aid was summoned and Dr. H. H. Moore and Dr. J. E. N. Bohemier worked about three hours over Rodier, and found he had compression of the brain and both jaw bones were so badly broken they were removed. He was also injured internally. Rodier died at 7.05 at his home in West Warren. He is a native of that place and had always lived in that town. He is survived by a father and mother and three sisters, Mrs. Fred Dendron of Holyoke, Mrs. Antoine Patreault and Mrs. Mattie Vigneaux, both of West Warren, also a brother, George Rodier of Three Rivers.

Thorndike Pool Match Continues.

The second week of the pool match between the St. Mary's Total Abstinence society and the Independents of Thorndike commenced at Massey's pool room last Friday evening, when J. J. Mongeau and Frank Longtine for S. M. T. A. S were defeated by A. Goodreau and William Gingraw for the Independents by a score of 100 to 60.

Monday night the closest game of the series was played at the society's rooms, T. F. Sullivan and Peter Cahill Jr. losing to C. Bressette and T. Longtine by a score of 100 to 93.

At Massey's pool rooms Wednesday evening Charles E Walker and D. J. Sullivan won their second game for the society from Fred Gebo and Frank McIntire, 100 to 45. The game proved the easiest of the series, and cut the Independents' lead to 37 points. Sullivan and Walker are the society's only winning team to date. The summary:

Independents.

C. Bressette,	118
D. Bressette,	57
W. LaPlant,	43
T. Longtine,	82
F. Gebo,	60
M. Stokes,	29
F. McIntire,	22
A. Goodreau,	41
W. Gingraw,	59
Total,	511

S. M. T. A. S.

T. F. Sullivan,	82
P. Cahill Jr.,	71
W. Riley,	27
M. F. Hurley,	34
D. J. Sullivan,	74
C. E. Walker,	126
F. Longtine,	20
J. J. Mongeau,	40
Total,	474

Total score of points to date.

Independents,	777
S. M. T. A. S.,	695

Next Monday evening P. Stokes and C. Fountain will play M. F. Sullivan and George LaPlante at the society's rooms.

National Bank Officers.

The stockholders of the Palmer National Bank held their annual meeting Tuesday afternoon and elected these officers: President, C. H. Hobbs; vice president, J. F. Holbrook; directors, Edward Fairbanks, C. B. Fiske, J. F. Holbrook, Dr. G. H. Wilkins, C. H. Hobbs, E. G. Childs.

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FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 13, 1905.

PALMER NEWS.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS.

Evening Devoted to Consideration of Territorial Expansion.

There was an unusually large attendance at the meeting of the society on Tuesday night, and the exercises were enjoyed by all. The curator reported the addition of a copy of the History of Palmer to the library of the society, also a gift to the society of a large tray of the olden style, in memory of the late Mrs. Mary Connors of Palmer.

Mr. Clifton H. Hobson, principal of the Palmer grammar school, read the opening paper of the evening, devoted to the beginning of the territorial expansion of our country. He first gave a well-defined sketch of our colonial possessions, and of the intense interest manifested after the Revolutionary War by the settlers in the Mississippi river valley for the free navigation of that waterway to the sea. Then followed a statement of the facts which made possible the purchase of this coveted territory, crowned by the climax of the actual purchase, which reads more like a romance than sober history, so momentous and far-reaching were the results.

The paper of Rev. M. O. Pattou had to do with another epoch of our expansion, the Lewis and Clark expedition and the acquisition of Oregon. Mr Patton prefaced his remarks by an outline of the territory involved, and a graphic description of that mighty octopus, the Hudson Bay Company, clutching everything within reach Then followed the long-drawn controversy between our country and Great Britain for the possession of this wild domain. Then silently pass into the picture, without herald or proclamation, that heroic band of pioneers headed by the immortal Whitman, who carried civilization and Christianity into the wilderness and ultimately saved a grand domain to freedom and our country.

As a fitting compliment to the beginning of the story of our expansion there followed descriptions of the St. Louis Fair by two who had attended the exposition. Mr. A. E. Fitch entertained the meeting with a very interesting description of some of the most remarkable objects which he saw—the mighty engine in the machinery hall, the cutting of diamonds from the rough stone till polished to perfection, and many other attractions. Mr. L. E. Chandler also gave a pleasing account of his visit to the grounds, limited because of his duties at the press couvention. His experience at the Inside Inn was quite amusing, whose interminable corridors and egg-shell partitions between the rooms were sensitive transmitters of sound. Both gentlemen agreed that the Philippine exhibition was the most interesting object at the fair.

A hearty vote of thanks was extended to the gentlemen who had furnished both instruction and enjoyment to all present.

O. P. ALLEN.

Palmer Savings Bank Annual.

The annual meeting of the incorporators of the Palmer Savings Bank was held Monday afternoon and these officers elected: President, H. G. Loomis; vice presidents, E. G. Hastings, R. C. Newell, C. F. Grosvenor; secretary, C. L. Waid; trustees, H G Loomis, C. H. Hobbs, E. G. Hastings, R. C. Newell, F. F. Marcy, G. S. Holden, M. J. Dillon, C. F. Grosvenor, W. E Stone, G. D. Mooers, L. R. Holden, C. E. Fuller, John O. Hamilton, C. F. Smith, L. J. Potter, C. L. Waid, E. B. Taylor; auditors, R. C. Newell, W. E Stone; board of investment, H. G. Loomis, C. H. Hobbs, E. G. Hastings, W E. Stone, C. F. Smith; treasurer, C. L. Waid.

Following is the statement of the treasurer:

LIABILITIES.	
Deposits,	$2,092,946.41
Guaranty Fund,	89,900.00
Undivided Profits,	18,164 51
	$2,201,010.92
RESOURCES.	
Public Funds,	290,000.00
Bank Stock,	23,700.00
Railroad Bonds,	321,225.00
Loans, Real Estate,	1,063,669.00
Loans, Personal,	210,841.00
Loans, Bank Stock,	4,440.00
Loans, Bank Book,	900.00
Loans, Public Funds,	700.00
Loans to Towns,	24,599.00
Real Estate,	61,472 36
Insurance Account,	585.00
Interest Due,	5,755.08
Deposited in National Banks,	145,564.58
Cash on Hand,	48,179.90
	$2,201,010.92

Firemen's Ball Next Week.

The annual ball of the Palmer firemen will be held in the opera house on Friday evening of next week. Flanagan's singing orchestra of Marlboro, which has given such good satisfaction in the past, will furnish music for dancing, and give a concert from 8 to 9. The floor director will be J. E Learned, assisted by F. J. Roche and J. Summers; aids, members of the company; committee of arrangements, Chief Bills, F. J. Roche, C. L Johnson, J. Summers, J. E. Learned; honorary committee, G. M. Atkins, R. B. Francis, J. L. Wilder, C. E Fish, F. D. Barton. Special electrics will be run to Three Rivers, Bondsville and Thorndike, Monson, Wilbraham and Ludlow after the ball. Concert tickets will be 25 cents, and dancing tickets $1. The firemen have always given the public the worth of its money at these dances, and the one next week they promise shall be no exception.

The concert program will be:

March. "The Pike."	Paterson
Overture. "Tanbour der Garde."	Fitl
Selection. "Isle of Spice."	Jerome
American Fantasia.	Bendix
Finale. Vocal.	Selected

Thirty Days for Over-Driving Horse.

At the district court Monday morning Frank Ceilley of Springfield was brought in by Officer Crimmins on a charge of over-driving a horse in Brimfield Jan. 2. He pleaded guilty, but asked for leniency as he claimed he had been drinking and did not know what he was doing. He was sentenced to three months in the house of correction. Ceilley hired the horse from D E. Marcy's stable and stated that he was going to Brimfield. Mr. Marcy received a telephone call from Brimfield later in the day that the man had been driving his horse on a run and under the whip on the Brimfield plain. Upon Ceilley's return it was found that one of the shafts was broken and the horse showed several bruises as if it had fallen. When Mr. Marcy demanded that he settle for the damage, Ceilley asked how long he would give him to get the money, and Mr. Marcy stated until 9 o'clock. Upon Ceilley's failure to show up at that time a search was made for him and it was learned that he had gone to Worcester. Officer Crimmins went there Saturday and brought him to Palmer. Three "drunks" were also disposed of Monday morning.

A Verdict of $80.

The case of Daniel Connor of Three Rivers against John Wilson & Co. for $5000 damages was tried in the superior court in Springfield this week and Connor was given a verdict of $80. Connor's claim was that he was given saltpetre instead of Rochelle salts, the mistake having been made by a clerk in the employ of Wilson & Co.; that he was made very sick by the saltpetre and suffered much distress as well as being incapacitated for work. The claim of the defense was that no mistake had been made, that the saltpetre was some which was in Connor's house and was in a white paper bag, and that there were not and never had been bags of that description in the store.

Lunch Cart Burned.

P. E. Bard's lunch cart on Main street was totally wrecked by fire about 8 o'clock Saturday night by the explosion of an oil heater. The heater was standing in the center of the floor of the cart apparently in the usual condition, when suddenly there was an explosion or blowout, after which it tipped over and the oil ran out on the floor. There were two customers in the cart at the time and they made a hasty exit; the attendant, Thomas Beals, was behind the counter, and he also was obliged to get out about as quickly as possible, though he managed to get the stove out in an attempt to save the cart. This was useless however on account of the burning oil, and the interior was pretty thoroughly burned out before the fire apparatus arrived in response to an alarm from box 68 across the street. The cart was valued at $1200 and was a total loss; the insurance was $1000.

Epileptic Hospital Notes

Rev. Dr. J. S. Lemon of Washington, D. C., holds Episcopal services in the hospital assembly room on Sunday at 2.30 p. m. Visitors will be welcome.

Mrs. Aaron Clark, who has been at the hospital for the past four years, died at her home in Woodstock, N. B., on Monday of last week. By her untiring energy and cheerful disposition she won many friends at the hospital.

A progressive whist party was given in the assembly hall Monday night for the employes of the hospital. There were about twelve tables. Luncheon was served during the evening, and all seemed to enjoy themselves.

A male patient, fifty years old, weight 180 pounds, lame, who was by permission out walking on Saturday, went away, and is still at liberty. How he has been cared for during the days he has been away from the hospital is unknown.

W. C. T. U. Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held in the reference room of the public library Tuesday afternoon, and these officers elected: President, Mrs. S. C Hunt; vice presidents, Mrs. G. W. Camp, Mrs. Cambridge Moulton, Mrs. J. W. Miller; recording secretary, Mrs. S. J. Ramsden; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. H. Hitchcock; treasurer, Mrs. L. M. Shaw; superintendent of flower mission, Miss Josie Fay; superintendent of literature, Mrs. F. M. Webber. The union has raised $104 during the past season for the support of the public drinking fountain. A barrel of literature has been sent to one of the lumber camps in the northern part of New Hampshire.

Mrs. H. P. Holden has gone to Southbridge for a visit to her mother.

A. Walker of Shearer's Corner is entertaining his father from Worcester.

The school committee will hold a special meeting to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock

Miss May Fiske returned yesterday from a visit with Miss Helen Potter of Worcester.

Mrs. Sarah Brown of Springfield has been the guest of Mrs. L. M. Shaw this week.

Mrs. F. M. Ralton has been a severe sufferer for several days with neuralgia of the face.

Elder Goodwin of Springfield will preach in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Entre Nous Whist Club met Tuesday night with Mrs. H. C. Cheney on Pleasant street.

The no-school signal was rung for yesterday afternoon on account of the severe rain and sleet storm.

Robert Harding left Saturday night for Toronto, where he has accepted a lucrative position in a carpet mill.

John T. Fitzpatrick of Stoughton was the guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Dillon on Central street.

Mrs. W. P. Webster of Thorndike street has been visiting her sister, Mrs. George Young, in Springfield this week.

Miss Grace Thompson and Miss Kate Matthews have returned to Wellesley College after the holiday vacation.

Mrs. Ida M. Spring of Brimfield was to-day adjudged an insane person and committed to the asylum at Northampton.

S. W. Lyon has taken possession of the stove and plumbing business of W. H. Hitchcock, which he recently purchased.

J. F. Gallivan, treasurer of the J. F. Gallivan Building Company of Greeneville, S. C., was the guest of A. T. Wing Saturday.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The howling alleys in Holden's block are nearly completed, and it is expected they will be ready for use by Monday of next week at the latest.

At St. Paul's Universalist church next Sunday evening the pastor will give the third of his series of sermons; the subject will be, "The Content of Faith."

At a business meeting of the Ladies' Society of the Congregational church Wednesday it was voted to hold an Easter sale of fancy articles at the time of the April social.

The last car to Bondsville Wednesday evening was held until 11 o'clock to accommodate a number of the Odd Fellows, the lodge having initiations of officers that evening.

Recent reports from E. R. Pierce, who is undergoing treatment in a private hospital in Boston, are to the effect that he is improving rapidly. He is expected home again in a few days.

Ray Harrington, while splitting wood Tuesday, sustained a severe cut on the index finger of his left hand. Four stitches were taken to close the wound, which was dressed by Dr. J. W. Fairing.

A lamp in a passenger coach on the Ware River railroad blazed up at the depot Monday evening and set fire to the roof of the car. The blaze was extinguished however with very little damage.

The Palmer Water Company announces that its reservoirs are now all full and running over. In consequence of which the company has again begun supplying the railroads with water this week.

Mrs. Clarinda A. Pasco, 59, died at her home at the wire mill Sunday night from a shock. She leaves one son, J. E. Pasco. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon, burial being in the Four Corners cemetery.

Mr. Marchant, formerly manager for Armour & Co., has returned from Hartford, Ct., and resumed his old position. Mr. Marchant will occupy the tenement on Converse avenue recently vacated by Mrs. Nelson Whiton.

Worship at the Congregational church Sunday morning with sermon by Rev. Willis A. Moore of St. Paul's church in exchange with the pastor. The other services at the usual hours. Mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7.30.

The Monday Evening Whist Club met this week with Mrs. F. N. Carpenter on Thorndike street. The first prize was won by Mrs. Charles Fuller, second prize by Miss Nettie Coleman and the consolation prize went to Miss Sarah Harrison.

The Palmer Woman's Club will meet next Friday afternoon with Mrs. J. C. Wing on Central street; members will note change of meeting place from printed program. Dr. B. D. Hahn of Springfield will speak on "The Eastern Situation; Japan and Russia."

Superintendent of Schools Fuller and Principal Hobson of the grammar school are planning to attend the meeting of the Brown Club of the Connecticut Valley, which will be held in Springfield on the 24th. Mr. Fuller will be one of the speakers at the banquet.

Thomas Flynn, 70, who was killed by the cars in Springfield last Saturday night, was formerly a resident of Palmer. He was employed at the state primary school for many years. The funeral was held Wednesday, with burial in St. Michael's cemetery in Springfield.

A sewing society which has yet to be named has been formed among the female employes of the telephone exchange. Meetings are held weekly and the gentlemen friends of members are invited in to refreshments. The meeting last evening was with Miss Hattie Plumley at the Converse House.

At the annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture in Boston Wednesday the date of the Palmer fair was fixed for October 6 and 7. O. E. Bradway, president of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society, was appointed a member of the committee on agricultural societies, being given third place.

C. R. Cooper, who has been employed in the Quimby pharmacy about two years, has resigned that position and gone to Brockton, where he has taken a similar position. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper have made many friends in this place, who will regret their departure. L. L. Smith of Everett has taken Mr. Cooper's place.

The annual meeting of St. Paul's Sunday school was held Sunday afternoon and these officers elected: Superintendent, John W. Hall; first assistant, Clayton Maxwell; second assistant, E E. Brooks; librarian, Miss May Robinson; organist, Annie B. Fish. The treasurer reported all bills paid and a balance on hand.

The annual meeting of the Once a Week Club was held in the Converse House Saturday evening, when the following officers were elected: President, W. H. Gifford; vice president, F. N. Carpenter; secretary and treasurer, E W. Carpenter; steward, James F. Fenton. The report of the treasurer showed a substantial balance on hand.

The Poverty Party managed by the Ladies of Columbus in Memorial Hall Tuesday evening was a success both socially and financially, there being a large attendance. Dancing was enjoyed until 12 o'clock, music being furnished by Sanger's orchestra of Springfield. The prizes for the costumes most appropriate to the occasion were awarded to Mrs. F. J. Roche and J. F. Duffy.

The report of the district court of Eastern Hampden for the past year shows receipts and expenditures as follows: Receipts — Fines, $1199; witnesses, $400; writs, $3.25; bail fees, $53; entry fees, $27 75; naturalization, $199; bail, $1060; total, $2867. Expenditures—County, $477.25; towns, $198 29; officers, $780 71; witnesses, $277 75; bail, $1060; commonwealth, $20; bail fees, $58; total, $2867.

The annual meeting of St. Paul's parish was held in the vestry of the church Tuesday evening and these officers elected: Clerk, William Merriam; treasurer, C. E. Fish; collector, E. C. Gould; parish committee, E. W. Carpenter, H. A. Northrop, F. H. Quimby and E. E. Brooks; music committee, H. W. Holbrook, Mrs. F. N. Carpenter and Mrs. F. M. Ralton; membership committee, Rev. W. A. Moore, R. B. Francis and Mrs H. A. Northrop.

A horse attached to a delivery wagon of E. H. Truesdell's started on a run near the bank block on Church street just before noon Wednesday, and made rapid time through Main street. The driver, Martin Huggard, was in the wagon but was not strong enough to pull the horse in and it ran until Shearer's Corner was reached, where it evidently concluded that it had had exercise enough and was brought under control without the slightest damage to anyone or anything.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Social Union of St. Paul's church was held Tuesday afternoon, when these officers were elected: President, Mrs. L. E Carpenter; vice presidents, Mrs. E A Gunn and Mrs. E. R Pierce; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. G. A. Moore; collector, Mrs. W. A. Barnes; Dorcas committee, Mrs. A. J. Lawton, Mrs H. A. Northrop, Mrs. J. V. Clark, Mrs E. A. Gunn and Mrs. C. S. Keith; fancy booth committee, Miss Annie B. Fish, Mrs. H. W. Holbrook and Mrs. E C. Gould.

Representative Norcross of Monson does not get a whole big lot in the committee assignments of the Legislature, receiving third place on the committee on labor and seventh on the committee on prisons Senator Parker of Springfield and the First Hampden district is made chairman of the Senate ways and means committee, has second place on the committee on liquor law and third on the one on water supply. Representative Patrick of Warren is seventh on the House liquor law committee.

The annual meeting of the Palmer Business and Social Club was held Wednesday evening and these officers elected: President, E. R. Pierce; vice presidents, W. E. McDonald, A. J. Purinton; secretary, C. H. Hobson; treasurer, L. J. Brainerd; trustees, F. N. Carpenter, A. J Purinton, G. M. Atkins, R. B Francis; election committee, J. F. Holbrook, T. J. Moran, T. J Clifford, D. F. Dillon, H. W. Holbrook, E. W. Carpenter. The bills are all paid and there is a gratifying balance in the treasury.

The house of Dennis Mahoney in the north part of the town was broken into Monday night and a sum of money taken. Upon retiring Mr. Mahoney placed a pocketbook containing $18 under a commode and when he arose the following morning the pocketbook and money were missing, as were also his silver watch and jackknife. Entrance was gained through the cellar, and as none of the members of the family were aroused by any noise, it seems very probable that the thief was familiar with his surroundings.

In the district court Wednesday morning William Gingrow of Thorndike was charged with assault upon Anton Bauch. The testimony was to the effect that the two men had worked in the mill and that Gingrow for about two weeks had persistently annoyed Bauch, who finally complained to the overseer and Gingrow was discharged. He thereupon assaulted Bauch and beat him about the face. Gingrow was fined $10 There were two "drunks," the case of one being placed on file, and the other was released on probation until February 6

Yesterday's weather brought a slight fall of snow early in the morning, which froze to the walks as soon as it touched them. Then came a cold rain which froze to the trees and covered every twig with a coating of glistening sleet. The rain on the icy sidewalks made traveling very uncertain and uncomfortable for pedestrians and there were many falls, though no serious injuries are reported. The sleet on the trolley wires was productive of a dazzling brilliant display of fireworks for a time, and the ice on the rails made schedule time for the cars an impossibility. The mercury took a drop last evening and the street railway company ran cars all night to keep the rails clear for traffic this morning.

A rare treat is promised in the evening with "Parsifal and the Holy Grail" at St. Paul's Universalist church next Wednesday. It is seldom that so many good things that instruct and delight can be woven around one subject. There is the lecture itself, a masterpiece of English; there are the stereopticon slides, whose coloring is beautiful beyond comparison, every one of which is a work of art, and added to all this is the lovely Wagnerian music, both instrumental and vocal, from "Parsifal," "Tannhauser," "Lohengrin." The music is rendered as the lecture proceeds and in conjunction with the slides From "Lohengrin" we have "Elsa's Dream," the "Bridal Chorus," and the sadly sweet "Swan Song." From "Parsifal" all the most loved parts are rendered, such as "The Prelude," "The Knights' Chorus," "The Angel Benediction," "The Flower Maiden Song," "The Good Friday Spell," "The Dresden Amen," and the "Finale," and from "Tannhauser," "O Thou Sublime Sweet Evening Star." Realizing the real value of what is offered, the price has been placed so low that all may attend. The general admission is 35 cents; children under 12, 15 cents.

THORNDIKE.

Bushman—Keith.

Miss Mary A. Bushman of Commercial street and George A. Keith were united in marriage Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock at the home of Rev. F. B. Taylor. The bridesmaid was Miss Malvina Gendrow of Ludlow, a cousin of the bride, and Fred LaPlaut of Main street acted as best man. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride to near relatives. The bride wore a gown of brown broadcloth with hat to match. Mr. and Mrs. Keith left at 1 o'clock for Nova Scotia, where they will spend two months with Mr. Keith's parents. The newly-married couple received many handsome and useful presents.

Miss Mary Moran is visiting friends in Warren.

Mrs. Andrew Parker is ill at her home on Church street.

Mrs. J. McIntire is entertaining out of town relatives at her home.

Miss Taylor of Granby is the guest of Rev. F. C. Taylor and family on Pleasant street.

Miss Kathryn Lawlor of Summer street is the guest of Miss Elizabeth Brosnan in Holyoke.

Miss Lillian Knox of Springfield is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. E McKelligott on Main street.

Mrs. Sarah LaPlante and son Fred went to Warren this week to attend the funeral of a relative.

Miss Katherine Fleming entertained a friend from Boston at her home on Main street this week.

Frederick Carter, after a few weeks' illness, has returned to his work in Clark & Hastings' market.

William Crimmins is at the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield, where he is undergoing treatment.

Mrs. George Lewis of Monson is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Trumble on Main street.

Mrs. Everett Kendall of West Warren, formerly of Thorndike, is visiting Mrs C. A. Tabor on Pleasant street.

Rev. Fr Michael Kennedy of Troy, N. Y is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martain Kennedy on Main street.

Miss Kathryn O'Donnell of Springfield was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. Lawlor and family on Summer street Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Chabot Sr. visited their son Fred in the hospital at Melrose, where he is undergoing treatment, this week.

A number of people from here attended the "Poverty Social" given by the Ladies of Columbus in Memorial Hall in Palmer Tuesday evening.

Raymond Cahill, while playing in the school yard, slipped and fell on the ice Monday and cut his lower lip. He was attended by Dr. E. F. Sullivan.

Miss Jane Walker of Commercial street slipped and fell on the ice near Exchange block Wednesday morning and cut a gash in the back of her head. She was taken to the home of W. McCormick, and Dr. E. F. Sullivan of Main street was called, who dressed the wound. Later Miss Walker was taken to her home.

THREE RIVERS.

Red Men's Installation and Banquet.

Wenimisset tribe of Red Men held the annual raising of chiefs Tuesday night The installation was in charge of John Sharrocks and suite of the Ossamiquin tribe of Springfield, and the following officers were installed: P., John Wilson; S., D. J. Keefe; S S, Peter Smart; J. S., Arthur Paulin; C. of R., James Wilson; C. of W., Louis Smart; K of W., L. G. Barker; first sanaps, Arthur Provo; second, Frank Rogers; first warrior, Thomas Pendergast; second, A. Rogers; first brave, William McConville; second George Matthews; I. G., Leon Henrichon; O. G., P. C. Daley; trustee for three years, John F. Twiss. After the installation a banquet was held at the Quaboag House, where Landlord Hartnett served a turkey supper. Those seated at the tables were: John Wilson, John Crowley, William McConville, M. Loftus, George Matthews, P. C. Daley C. E Hubbard, James Wilson, Daniel Connors, George Saunders, Walter Ritchie, P. Chabot, William Porter, Arthur Provo, Arthur Paulin, T. Pendergast, Joseph Domey, L. G. Barker, Peter Smart, Daniel Dunn, John F. Twiss, Leon Henrichon, A. Grise, Z Lacoste, Louis Smart, John Laue, H. Beauchamp, Dr. C Giroux, D J. Keefe, C Russett, James Hartnett, Peter Pleur, William Prairie, Daniel Hartnett, John Sharrocks, D. Accessi, J. F. Powers, F. C. Fredette, Thomas Morrison, Dr. William Armstrong, George Woodhead, George Lord, J J. McCormick and W. Boznehard The supper was followed by speeches and vocal music. John Wilson was toastmaster for the evening, and the speakers were John Sharrocks, William Porter and J. F. Powers. Among the musical selections were the following solos: "The Lilies and Roses," by Arthur Provo; "The Village by the Sea," James Wilson; "The Man in the Overalls," A. Paulin; "Teasing," Lewis G. Barker; "Sylvie," John Lane. The tribe's quartet, consisting of James Manning, P. Chabot, W. Porter and T. Pendergast, rendered a selection from the opera "Mother Goose.

The gathering broke up at a late hour with much favorable comment on Landlord Hartnett's supper.

Annual Meeting of Union Church.

The annual business meeting of the Union Evangelical church was held Tuesday night. The meeting was adjourned from the church to the Wenimisset, where the Ladies' Aid Society served a turkey supper after which the business was transacted. There were about 80 present. Rev. Charles Olmstead was chosen moderator, Arthur W. Warriner was elected clerk and took up his duties at once. The following officers were elected: Treasurer, Albert S. Geer; music committee, Peter Senecal, J. H. Trickett and Clinton D. Frame; visiting committee, Rev. Charles Olmstead, Mrs. Charles Olmstead, Mrs. A. S. Barton, Mrs. J. W. Cheney, Arthur F. Calkins, Mrs. A. F Calkins and Joseph Bartkourak; auditor, F. A. Upham; ushers, Willis A Calkins, O A. Maxwell, Robert L. Geer and Irving R Shaw; welcoming committee, the ushers; building committee, F. A. Upham, H. A. Shaw, J. T. Geer.

Thomas O'Connor returned to Waterbury Friday.

Mrs. F. W. Lavene is ill with an attack of the grippe.

Mrs. J. W. Cheney is visiting friends in Schenectady.

Miss Elsie Alden has taken a position in Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. James McLean have moved to Springfield.

Miss Rosalma Fredette is ill at her home on Main street.

Miss Dora Hayes of Bondsville is visiting Miss Emma Bruce.

Charles Connor has resigned his position in the Palmer mill.

Miss Nellie Couroy is seriously ill at her home on Bourne street.

Miss Margaret Vennert has taken a position in the Palmer Mill.

Miss Dorothy Cantill is seriously ill with an attack of the grippe.

Mrs. H. Bombard of Chicopee Falls is visiting Dolphis Dupont.

Frank Camerline is confined to his home with an attack of malaria.

Walter Herran is confined to his home with an attack of malaria.

Miss Ruth Bishop of Thorndike spent Sunday with Miss Alice Shaw.

Samuel Jackson of Gilbertville spent Sunday with Robert Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. Elcas Kershan are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

W. A. Maggs of Middlebury College spent Monday with Rev. Charles Olmstead.

Owing to the bad weather the no-school whistle was sounded yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Rose McCabe of Montreal, Canada, is visiting Leon Henrichon on Bourne street.

Rev. H. A. Killmer of Springfield preached at the Baptist church last Sunday evening.

Joseph Paulin has resigned his position in Holyoke and taken one with his father, T. Paulin.

Miss May Senton returned Wednesday after a two-weeks' visit with friends in Norwich, Ct.

John Horan has resigned his position with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church will meet in the ladies' parlors tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. Peter Chabot has been called to Windsor Locks on account of the serious illness of her brother.

Frank Rogers was pleasantly surprised by a number of his friends last Friday night, who presented him with a watch.

Miss Eva Gauthier has resigned her position with James Wilson & Co, and gone to her home in Newport, R. I.

The subject of Rev. Charles Olmstead's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Service of Suffering." The evening topic will be "Qualities that Win."

James Wilson has purchased the store of John Wilson & Co, near the common. Mr. Wilson has managed the store for several years and is very popular. His many friends wish him success.

A pleasant birthday party was held in honor of Erwin Provo last Saturday evening in Ruggles' Hall. Friends from Springfield and North Wilbraham were present and a ring was presented to Mr Provo.

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MARRIED.

In Thorndike, 10th, by Rev. F. B. Taylor, George A. Keith and Mary A. Bushman.
In Monson, 17th ult., Franklin H. Bradway and Mrs. Martha E. Woodard.
In Ware, 8th, by Rev. J. T. Sheehan, Victor E. Ethier of Webster and Alice Thibeault of Ware.

DIED.

In Palmer, 8th, Clarinda A. Pasco, 59.
In North Wilbraham, 8th, Mrs. Caroline Collins, 81, of Ludlow Center.
In Hampden, 6th, John Murphy.
In West Warren, 9th, Emma, 34, wife of Henry Earett.

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NOTICE—I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting my wife, Ruth Albina Capen, on my account, she having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation. I shall pay no bills of her contracting after this date. ALBERT CAPEN.
January 9, 1905. 42-3

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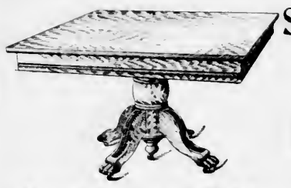

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Monson News.

NATIONAL BANK'S ANNUAL.

Anniversary of its Organization More Than 50 Years Ago.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Monson National Bank was held in the banking rooms Tuesday morning. As this was the meeting held nearest to the date of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the bank, it was made, in an informal way, an anniversary meeting.

The Monson National Bank was incorporated as a state bank in October, 1854, and for six months transacted business in the ell part of the house occupied by Lyman C. Flynt, which was then used as a store. At the end of that time the bank was moved to the granite building, now used as a post office. The original incorporators were Austin Fuller, Albert Norcross and William N Flynt. In 1864 the bank was reorganized under the national banking laws as a National Bank, its first board of directors being John Wyles, Horatio Lyon, Cyrus W. Holmes, Charles H. Merrick, Austin Fuller, Joshua Tracy and A V. Blanchard, none of whom are now living Of the first stockholders of the institution only two are now living, Asa W. Leonard of this town and Ira G Potter of Wilbraham.

Since its organization in 1864, the bank has paid in dividends $504 000, an average of 8.35 per cent, the highest rate being 10 per cent, and the lowest 6 per cent, and has never passed a dividend It has paid in town, county and state taxes about $100,000 and in United States tax over $50 000 The tax, per share for the stockholders, for many years has averaged about $1.75 per share. The bank was moved into its new quarters in June, 1893. It has complied with the law separating it from the savings bank, the doors between the two having been permanently closed.

There was an unusually large attendance at the meeting Tuesday as a special effort was made to get out the stockholders, and several ladies were present. Cashier Edward F Morris, who has been connected with the institution for 40 years, gave a brief history of the bank since its foundation in 1854. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. George E Fuller; vice president, L. C. Flynt; directors, E. F. Morris, G. E. Fuller, L. C. Flynt, A. D. Norcross, E. D. Cushman, T. L Cushman and J. E. Reynolds.

Academy Notes.

Page, '08, of Hardwick has left school.

Report cards were given out last Monday morning.

There will be a social at the chapel next Friday evening.

Monson plays the strong West Springfield team at the gymnasium to-morrow afternoon at 3.30.

The entertainment for the benefit of the basketball team is to be given on the evening of February 3d.

The girls representing the class of 1906 and captained by Miss Anna Hannigan defeated the girls team of the class of 1907 yesterday afternoon by a score 18 to 9.

The senior class of Monson Academy has elected the following officers: President, Miss Kate Cushman; vice president, Miss Moore; secretary, F. J. L. McQuaid; treasurer, Miss Newton.

The Philo Society will render the following program: Essays, Miss Sweet, Miss McKenna; recitations, Miss B Leahy, Miss Butterworth; music, Miss Sault, Miss Allen; news items, Miss Park.

The junior-middle class of Monson Academy has elected these officers: President, John English; vice president, Miss Kate Murphy; secretary, Miss Bissie Allen; treasurer, Miss Dorris Sutcliffe.

James Francis McQuaid, president of the Lino Society, captain of the baseball team, captain of the track team, and for two years fullback on the football team, led the cheering at the game yesterday and made a most credible showing.

The Lino Society will meet this evening with the following program: News items, J. Faulkner; reading, Homer; declamation, Forbes. There will be an extempore debate and there will also be heard a complete report on changes of the constitution by the committee appointed by the president.

John Bowler shot a 14-lb. fox above the quarry Wednesday.

Henry Flynt has been ill with an attack of the grip this week.

Fred Grimm of Providence, R. I., visited friends here this week.

Jeremiah Brennan has resigned his position with C. J. Leary.

The public schools opened Monday after a three-weeks' vacation.

Henry E. Newton was in Norwich, Ct., Wednesday on a business trip.

Jesse P. Carew has purchased a valuable Holstein cow of O. C. McCray.

Mrs. G H. Newton is visiting her son, Warren Newton at West Upton.

Lucifer's minstrels will be the attraction in Memorial Hall Tuesday night.

Miss Garvey of Springfield is spending a few weeks with relatives in town.

J. H Carpenter is confined to his home on East Hill on account of illness.

Mrs. A H. Shaw is spending a few days with her son, Eugene Shaw at Springfield.

A number from this town visited the ruins of the city hall at Springfield Sunday.

The Current Events Club met this afternoon with Mrs W. N. Flynt on High street.

Mrs Miller of Essex, Ct., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. B Gifford on Green street.

The Fortnightly Club will meet Monday night with Mrs. Emily Chapin on Green street.

Mrs James Pendergast has purchased a tract of land on Pearl street of Mrs. Inez Farrell.

Mrs. George Thompson has returned from a several weeks' visit with relatives at Boston.

Rufus Flynt of Springfield spent Sunday with his grandmother, Mrs. W. N. Flynt on High street.

Miss Clark of Springfield has been spending a few days with E. M. Walker on East Hill.

The King's Daughters will meet next Friday night with Mrs. D. B. Needham on Lincoln street.

Mrs. Henry A. King of Springfield was the guest of Mrs. W. N. Flynt on High street this week.

The members of the Quahoag Country Club will hold a whist party at the club house Monday night.

Mrs. Luther Cobb of Barre visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merrick on Main street, this week.

G. W. Lent is gradually recovering from his recent illness which has been of nearly three-months' duration.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs F. D Rogers is ill with scarlet fever at their home on the quarry road.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bond left Tuesday night for Los Angeles, Cal., where Mr. Bond has accepted a position.

Dr. G. E. Fuller will install the officers of Marcus Keep Grand Army post at their regular meeting Monday night.

Omer E Bradway has been in Boston this week attending the annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture.

Miss Ethel Shaw has returned to Springfield after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Shaw.

Mrs. J. N. Graves installed the officers of Marcus Keep Woman's Relief Corps at their regular meeting Wednesday night.

"Faith and Health" will be the subject of the sermon by Rev. N. M. Pratt at the Congregational church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Ella Holmes and daughter, Miss Sarah Holmes, of New York City are the guests of Miss Esther R. Holmes on Main street.

The subject of the sermon at the Universalist church Sunday morning will be "Dying in sin versus living in righteousness."

Franklin H. Bradway and Mrs. Martha E. Woodard, both of this town, were married at the Methodist parsonage December 17th.

The 1905 social club will hold a social dance in Memorial Hall to-morrow evening. Music will be furnished by Orcutt's orchestra.

Mrs. Ann E. Williams fell down a flight of stairs at the home of her son, Fred Williams, last Saturday, but escaped serious injury.

Mrs. E. G. Penniman and daughter of Providence, R. I., have been spending a few days with Mr and Mrs A. B. Merchant on High street.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church will serve a hash supper in the church parlors Tuesday night. The supper will be followed by a social.

The senior class will give a social in the Academy chapel next Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock. There will be candy for sale and a laundry office will be the special attraction. The public is cordially invited.

A large party from here are planning to see "Rogers Bros in Paris" at the Court Square theatre in Springfield Monday night, Jan. 23, and if a sufficiently large number will attend a special car will be run both ways.

The Century Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. E. R. Cooke on North Main street. The meeting next Tuesday will be with Mrs. Fred S. Chapman on Green street; subject, "John Ruskin." The program will be in charge of Mrs. M. C. Howe, Mrs. H. F. Miller and Mrs. W. L. Ricketts.

The Men's Club of the Congregational church held a very interesting meeting in the church parlors Monday evening, the speaker being Rev. S. H. Woodrow of Springfield, who gave a very interesting talk on "Some varieties of mental healing." The usual lunch and social hour followed. One new member was voted into the club.

A number of the Academy students who live at Cushman Hall had a pleasant time Wednesday cleaning up some ink from the sidewalk which runs from the Hall to the street. Some one of the students either dropped a bottle of ink or threw it there, and as no one cared to own up to it several of the students were set to work cleaning it up. The task took considerable time and proved very amusing to the onlookers.

The annual meeting of the Congregational church was held Tuesday evening. The treasurer reported a balance on hand The expenses for the coming year will be raised by the pledge system, which method has been used for several years and which has proven very satisfactory. These officers were elected: Clerk, C. C. Keep; treasurer, R. H. Cushman; prudential committee, Dr. G. E. Fuller, L. C. Flynt and Rufus Fay; music committee, E. R. Cook, G. C. Flynt, R. H. Cushman, T. L. Cushman and Rufus Fay. The meeting was adjourned for four weeks in order to give this committee time to solicit pledges and report at the adjourned meeting.

BONDSVILLE.

Mrs. Robert Cockran has returned from a visit in Norwich, Ct.

Mrs. Edward Sharratt spent a few days this week in Enfield with relatives.

Mrs. J. W. Simpson and children have returned from a visit with relatives in Lowell.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. L. L. Beeman.

Marshall Stevens of Springfield spent yesterday as guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shumway.

R. L. Bond started harvesting his ice yesterday morning but stopped on account of the rain.

On account of the very stormy weather yesterday afternoon, the "no-school" signal was sounded.

William Taylor has been unable to attend his duties this week on account of a severe attack of tonsilitis.

Frank Conway of Norwich, Ct., has been spending the week with his brother, John J. Conway on Main street.

C. R. Russell, who has been confined to the house with quincy sore throat, has improved greatly and is able to be out.

A number from this village attended the Poverty Party given by the Ladies of Columbus in Palmer Tuesday night.

The King's Daughters met this afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Adams. This was the annual business meeting and election of officers.

S Jorzyak's meat team tipped over last Friday in the upper end of the village, breaking the shafts and other parts of the wagon. Fortunately no one was injured.

Joseph M. Shea, who has been on the sick list for the last three months, has recovered and will begin his duties Monday at his former occupation as clerk for C. L. Holden & Sons.

C. T. Brainerd was at work with his men Tuesday morning thawing out the sewer pipe which runs from East street to the river near the bridge. Mr. Brainerd accomplished his purpose by the aid of steam pipes forced into the outlet.

Prof. Drake showed some very interesting illustrated pictures on the "Passion Play" in the basement of St. Bartholomew's church Tuesday evening, to a good sized audience. Mr. Drake also showed a number of very fine moving pictures.

It will be of interest to many of the older residents of the town to hear that invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Nellie Thayer to Stanley L. Lombard of Springfield at 8 p. m. Jan. 25. Miss Thayer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Thayer of 25 Davis avenue, Springfield, former residents of Bondsville.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church served a cold meat supper in the church vestry Tuesday evening. The supper was followed by an entertainment which consisted of readings given by Eugene Hills, reader and entertainer from the Red Path Lyceum Bureau of Boston. His selections were much enjoyed by all. During the entertainment musical selections were rendered by Miss Edith Childs, Miss Jennie Bray of Palmer and Mrs. C. D. Holden. The affair was a success and as a result the ladies will clear about $14.

Fraternity Notes.

The Woman's Relief Corps will meet next Friday.

Palmer aerie of Eagles meets next Thursday evening.

Court Palmer, Foresters of America, will meet next Tuesday evening.

Martha Washington court, Dames of Malta, meet next Tuesday evening.

The Sons of Veterans are scheduled to meet on Wednesday evening of next week.

A special convocation of Hampden Royal Arch chapter of Masons will be held Monday evening. The degree of P. and M. E. will be worked.

The Order of the Eastern Star will meet this evening, when officers will be installed. The installing officer will be Miss Helen Robinson of Palmer, assisted by Mrs Emma G. Keith as marshal.

Quahoag council of the Royal Arcanum will hold a meeting next Tuesday evening and install officers. The installing officer will be J. Winslow Eaton, District Deputy Grand Regent, accompanied by his suite.

Thomas lodge of Masons will hold a regular communication Monday evening of next week. The Master Mason degree will be worked on several candidates, the work being done by past masters of the lodge.

District Deputy Grand Chief Ranger J. P. O'Connor of the Palmer court of Foresters installed the officers of the Ware court Tuesday evening. He was accompanied as suite by J. A. Hoey, D. Micott, William Gaffney, Everett Nelson, G. Goodes, John Moran, Thomas Huggard and Timothy Lane

Palmer lodge of Odd Fellows installed these officers Wednesday evening: N. G., Charles Collis; V. G., W. C. Millen; warden, Luke Parkhurst; conductor, E C. Buffington; L S. S., E. J. Fuller; R S. S., L. S. Craw; inside guard, Frank Lamb; outside guard, W. S. Taylor; R. S. N G., L. S Holden; L. S. N. G., E Sharratt; R S V. G., E Maxwell; L S. V. G, J. H. Shaw; chaplain, Isaac Ramsdell; financial secretary, G. H. Bray; recording secretary, Omar Marcy; treasurer, C. D. Holden.

A Cure For Hiccoughs.

A young man pale and weak, entered a physician's office.

"Doctor," he said, 'I have had—hic—I have had the hiccoughs for six hours. They are exhausting me."

"Let me see your tongue," said the physician. Out with it. "Oh, farther out. Out as far as you can put it. That is it. Now hold it out there till I go to the back office and get a depressor."

The physician disappeared. The young man, his long, pink tongue spread like a drapery over his chin, sat and waited with bulging eyes.

"By Jove, he's long," the young man thought, "I wonder what can be keeping him."

"Just a minute," the physician called from the next room. "Keep your tongue out. I'll be there in a minute."

But it must have been five minutes before he returned. He was smiling.

"Did you keep your tongue out all the time?" he said.

"Yes," the young man answered.

"And you didn't hiccough, did you?"

"No."

"Then," said the physician, "you are cured."

The young man, as a matter of fact was cured. The protusion of his tongue had cured him. The physician said that this treatment rarely, if ever, failed to drive away the most obstinate attack of hiccoughs.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, JAN 11, 1904

Good feeling exists at present between the executive and the legislative departments and thus the session makes a gratifying beginning. Republicans and Democrats are disposed to play fairly with each other and to make the test of their appeal to public support their genuine capacity for public service, rather than any expert skill in putting each other in a hole. The Republicans would have the advantage of numbers, but the Democrats might thereby gain a corresponding advantage to an appeal to popular sympathy and a sense of justice. But there is a friendly disposition. Mr. Ward of Buckland, House chairman of the committee on ways and means, let it be known that he would like to have a conference with the governor regarding the state's finances. In an unofficial way, just as his remark was through an unofficial channel, came an invitation from Gov. Douglas to call at the executive chamber when convenient, for the governor would like to talk with him. There is need of harmony and friendly consultation upon the finances, for, as the governor said in his message, there must be a heavier state tax than for a long time, and it is for the Legislature to see what measures of economy can be practiced. It looks as if the days of a low state tax were forever passed. The transfer to the state of the support of the insane poor means more than $1,000,000 permanently put upon the state which was formerly paid by the cities and towns and the later will save it, though the distribution of the expense will be different from what it was under municipal management But there are constantly increasing state expenses as the state grows and the clothes which fitted the boy will not suit the man.

Secretary Olin has issued the annual report on vital statistics and kindred matters. In 1903 the whole number of divorces granted was 1721, or 241 more than in the year before, 345 more than in the year *before that, and 725 more than the average* per year for the previous 20 years, thus rapidly is the divorce evil increasing in the state. In 1884 the marriage rate per 1000 people was 18 15 and the number of divorces was 614, or the ratio of one divorce to 28.2 marriages. In 1903 the marriage rate had dropped to 17.90 per 1000 persons, the divorces increased to 1721, or one divorce to every 15.6 marriages. The divorce rate last named is the highest in the 20 years, but the lowest was in 1890, when it was one to every 31 9 marriages. The number of marriages in 1903 was 26,940, or more than in any other year, but the rate was less than in some years, though it stood one marriage to every 56 people, against one to every 57 the year before, 68 in 1899 and 60 in 1898. The rate was 42 greater than the average for the decade and the number of persons married was the largest on record. The number of men under 20 years who were married was 1 9 per cent of the whole number whose ages are known, while the number of women under 20 years was 15.9 per cent of all whose ages are known, compared with 15 6 in 1902, 15 in 1901, 15 1 in 1900 and 14.3 in 1899. The number of men between 20 and 25 was 33 5 per cent of all and women of the same age were 41 5 per cent of all. The men between 25 and 30 was 33 per cent of all, and of women was 24 6 per cent of all who were married during the year. Men over 75 numbered 25 and there were 10 over 80 years. The ages of the oldest women married are not given, doubtless from a thoughtless regard for their youthful sensitiveness.

The age of all the bridegrooms was 29.3 years, which is the highest of any year in the table,—which begins with 1874 The average age of all the brides was 25 8 years which is just the same for the preceding three years and 1889, but there is no higher average in the table. The lowest average is 23.2 years, in 1895, but nearly all of the years are 25 and a fraction. The average of the men marrying for the first time was 27.5 and of the women marrying for the first time, 27.7 years. There were four women married of less than 14 years of age, and seven of the men were only 16 years old. There was one fifth marriage of a man, but the highest record for a woman was a fourth marriage, of which there were four. Marriage rates per 10,000 of population compare as follows with foreign countries, all of the records being of 1900 or later, except that the figures for Russia are for 1897; Massachusetts, 90; Hungary, 88; Germany, 82; Austria, 82; Italy, 72; France, 79; Holland, 76; Switzerland, 70; United Kingdom, 79; Belgium, 81; Russia, 91; Norway, 76; Sweden, 60; Spain, 88.

The death rate for 1903 was 16.34 per 1000, which is unusually low. Mortality from consumption is declining. In 1875 it 34 7 per 10,000; in 1880 it was 30 8; in 1885 it was 30 7; in 1890 it was 25.9; in 1895 it was 21 9 and in 1900 it had dropped to 18 5 which is the last census year, showing the population. The mortality from pneumonia was 4293 in 1903, or 290 fewer than in the year before. There were 519 deaths from whooping cough, or 182 more than in the year before. There were 195 deaths from alcoholism, or 24 more than in 1902. The deaths from cancer have increased from 3.5 per 10,000 people to 7.1 in 1903, the latter figure being the highest on record. There were 63 deaths from malarial fevers, Worcester county reporting the largest number. Two deaths occurred from glanders, taken from horses.

It was a very lively Democratic caucus this afternoon after the session of the Legislatature. Senators and representatives were both present, and Representative Skerrett of Worcester was chairman. The main question was whether they should nominate two candidates, one for the long term and one for the short term, or whether they should show a non-partisan feeling and vote for Senator Crane without making any nomination against him. There was quite a feeling against Senator Lodge, though it is said that Representative Martin Lomasney of Boston, head of the Democrats of the House, is really on such terms with Lodge as to try to secure the nomination of two candidates, so that there should seem to be no discrimination against Lodge by the Democracy. Some of the members,—Messrs. Davis of Salem, Lord of Athol and Chrystal of North Adams,—were positive that they should vote for Crane if they wanted to, and if the caucus undertook to instruct them, they would go out. Notwithstanding, a motion was made to instruct, but it called out such a protest that the mover withdrew it. By a large majority they voted to support two candidates for the Senate, and then they nominated W A Gaston for the long term and John R Thayer of Worcester for the short term by 32 for him to 13 for ex-Mayor McNamee of Cambridge and smaller votes for Boutwell, Naphen and Crosby. It was a very lively caucus and tried Skerrett's parliamentary skill, but he did the correct thing. The election will occur at 2 30 p. m. next Tuesday, and at 12 o'clock Wednesday they will have a joint convention to compare notes. Of course the Republicans, who will nominate Lodge and Crane tomorrow forenoon, will elect them easily. There is a Democratic prediction to-day that Crane will get 30 Democratic votes.

A new phase of anti-corporation activity has broken out this year, that of providing that no corporation shall contribute any money for campaign expenses of any party or candidate. If this proposition shall find any favor, it will require a further enforcement of the corrupt practices act which has been in danger of losing some of the prestige which it had just after its enactment in 1892. One of the two bills which has been introduced, that of Mr. Davis of Plymouth, says that a fine of $5000 shall be put upon the corporation which breaks the law, and $1000 upon the person who is guilty of the crime, besides a liability to one year's imprisonment.

Several of the much expected measures have been introduced already, such as the bill to repeal the semi-colon law, the bill to prevent overtime work in factories when machinery has been stopped for repairs, the eight-hour bill for public employees and the bill to repeal the Boston police act. Regarding the latter, it looks as if the Curley incident had settled the fate of any repeal bill for this year, for the deliberate action of Boston is reflecting two criminals to office, when they were in jail for their crime, has set the feeling of the House against Boston as a whole, and it is argued with energy that the incident proves that Boston is unfit morally to govern itself, and that view seems likely to prevail.

There has been presented again the bill for a bicycle railway between Boston and Fall River by way of Quincy, Brockton and Taunton. E. Moody Boynton is kept as one of the incorporators, and the new bill permits the mortgaging of the patents to the state for $1,000,000. James F. Shaw drops from the list of incorporators.

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These are the Annual January Sale of Housekeeping Linens and the Annual January Sale of Cottons and Domestics. These Sales cover a wide range of household needs and for many years housekeepers, as well as boarding house and hotel keepers, and other large consumers throughout Western New England have relied upon them to purchase a large portion of their yearly supplies, knowing that here, and particularly in these Sales, prices reach a lower level than anywhere else.

The Annual January Sale of Housekeeping Linens

Our Linen Store is one of the divisions of our business in which we take especial pride. The stock we carry here embraces an extraordinary variety of designs and qualities, in a large assortment of sizes. The various lines represent the products of the very best Scotch, Irish and German makers. In this Sale we offer our new 1905 designs. Among them the following are prominent:

The New Scroll and Night-Blooming Cereus,
The New Laurel Wreath,
The New Scroll and Floral,
The New Floral Spray, With Dot Filling,
The New Primrose,
The New Queen of the Meadow,
The New Lily of the Valley,
The New Cyclamen and Narcissus
The New Moire Effect, With Satin Stripe,
The New Rose and Ball,
The New Carnation,
The New Wild Rose.

We place large orders during the summer months, when manufacturers are willing to accept prices that barely cover the cost of making, as they are thus enabled to keep the looms running and keep their force of skilled operatives together. This is one of the reasons why you pay less here than elsewhere for Linens of equal quality.

Fifty-three cases of Linens received last week through the local custom house, constituting one of the largest shipments ever entered at this port, completed the main part of our importations. These we put on sale at the low prices that have made our January Sales famous for economy.

Bleached Table Damask

January Sale Price A Yard

60-inch, five patterns	39c
62-inch, five patterns	50c
72-inch, five patterns	65c
72-inch, five patterns	75c
72-inch, eight patterns	89c
72-inch, six patterns	$1.00
72-inch, five patterns	$1.25
72-inch, six patterns	$1.50

Turkey Red Damask

Genuine Bates Turkey Red Damask 39c

Turkey Red Covers

Each

Fringed Turkey Red Damask Covers,	
8-4 Covers	$1.00
8-10 Covers	$1.25
8-12 Covers	$1.50

Crashes

January Sale Price A Yard

Bleached and Brown Cotton Crash	4c
18-inch Brown Linen Crash	8c
17-inch Brown Linen Crash	10c
17-inch Brown Linen Crash	12½c
18-inch Brown Linen Crash	19c
17-inch Bleached Linen Crash	9c
18-inch Bleached Linen Crash	11c
18-inch Bleached Linen Crash	12½c
18-inch Bleached Linen Crash	15c
F. & W. Silver Crash	15c
18-inch Bleached Linen Crash	16½c
18-inch Bleached Linen Crash	19c

Cotton Diaper

These January prices on Sanitary Cotton Diaper are really surprising. Each piece enclosed in a paper envelope.

18-inch Diaper	39c
20-inch Diaper	44c
22-inch Diaper	49c
24-inch Diaper	54c

Linen Sheeting

January Price per yard

72-inch Fine Linen Sheeting	$1.00
88-inch Fine Linen Sheeting	$1.25
90-inch Fine Linen Sheeting	$1.50
72-inch Fine Linen Sheeting	$1.25
90-inch Fine Linen Sheeting	$1.50

Pillow Linen

42-inch Very Fine Pillow Linen	65c
45-inch Very Fine Pillow Linen	70c
50-inch Very Fine Pillow Linen	75c

Huck Toweling

Huck Toweling, plain and fancy weaves, per yard ..... 25c to 75c

Glass Towels

Each

24½ by 30 in. Glass Towels	15c
24½ by 30 in. Glass Towels	19c
24½ by 32½ in. Glass Towels	25c

Special Purchase of Fine Table Linen.

A special attraction in this Sale is a lot of fine Table Cloths which we bought at one-third under value. These are all new designs in heavy double damask, with borders all around.

Quality Q,	2 x2 yards	$2.27	Quality H,	2 x2½ yards	$4.27
	2 x2½ yards	2.87½		2 x3 yards	5.35
	2 x3 yards	3.43		2 x3½ yards	6.33
	2 x3½ yards	3.99		2½x2½ yards	5.68
Quality M,	2 x2 yards	4.76		2½x3 yards	6.70
	2 x2½ yards	5.95		2½x3½ yards	7.91
	2 x3 yards	7.14	Quality Y,	2 x2 yards	6.14
	2 x3½ yards	8.63		2 x2½ yards	7.40
	2½x2½ yards	7.65		2 x3 yards	8.70
	2½x3 yards	8.82		2 x3½ yards	10.03
	2½x3½ yards	12.20		2½x2½ yards	8.87
	2½x4 yards	13.95		2½x3 yards	10.45
				2½x3½ yards	12.02

Doilies and Tray Cloths

300 dozen Colored Border Doilies, each	5c
100 dozen John S. Brown & Sons' Irish Linen Tray Cloths, size 20x30 inches, special, each	19c
50 dozen Fine Linen Doilies, each	33c

Cream Table Damask

64-inch, four patterns	39c
64-inch, four patterns	50c
70-inch, four patterns	59c
72-inch, four patterns	69c
72-inch, four patterns	79c
72-inch, four patterns	$1.00

Notable Offerings in White Goods

In the White Goods section we open to-day our new 1905 lines. These include all the new things that will be popular the coming season, and to introduce them we have marked them at specially low January prices. An extraordinary offering is a lot of fine Fancy White Goods of a quality that usually sells for 37 1-2c to 50c a yard, which we put out at 25c

PLAIN NAINSOOKS,	A Yard	
No 100, 32-inch	12½c	
No 110, 32-inch	15c	
No 120, 32-inch	20c	
No 130, 32-inch	25c	
No 140, 32-inch	37½c	
INDIA LINENS,		
No 2000, 29-inch	8c	
No 2005, 30-inch	10c	
No 2010, 30-inch	12½c	
No 2015, 30-inch	15c	
No 2020, 30-inch	17c	
No 2025, 30-inch	20c	
No 2030, 30-inch	25c	
No 2035, 30-inch	37½c	
BLACK INDIA LINENS,		
No 200, 30-inch	7c	
No 300, 30-inch	8c	
No 10, 30-inch	10c	
No 500, 30-inch	12½c	
No 700, 30-inch	20c	
No 600, 30-inch	20c	
No 850, 32-inch	25c	

LONG CLOTH,	A Yard	12-Yd. Piece
Superior	12½c	$1.25
No 300	15c	$1.65
American	15c	$1.65
Heather	20c	$2.25
PERSIAN LAWN,		A Yard
No 100, 32-inch		15c
No 101, 32-inch		20c
No 102, 32-inch		25c

NEW KISMET LINEN FINISH CLOTH, 36-inch, No 111 ..... 25c

NEW BENGAL CLOTH, 36-inch, No 113 ... 25c

NEW LOTUS CLOTH, 36-inch, No 112 ... 25c

NEW WHITE POPLAR CLOTH, 27-inch, Nos 171, 172, 173 ..... 37½c

FRENCH LAWNS, a new importation from our Paris office, 48 inches wide, 37½c, 50c, 75c and $1.00

NOVELTY WHITE GOODS, a very extensive line, from American and French makers, 12½c, 25c, 50c and 75c

Old Bleach and Webb's Dew-Bleached Huck Towels

	A Doz.	Each
20 by 36-in. Towels, Hemmed	$2.75	25c
20 by 36-in. Hemstitched Towels	$3.00	25c
20 by 38-in. Hemstitched Towels	$4.25	37½c
23 by 42-in Hemstitched Towels	$5.75	50c
23 by 43 in. Hemstitched Towels	$7.25	65c
22 by 40-in. Hemstitched Towels	$8.50	75c
22 by 43-in. Hemstitched Towels	$11.00	$1.00
23 by 43-in. Hemstitched Towels	$13.50	$1.25
25 by 43-in. Hemstitched Towels	$16.50	$1.50
22 by 42-in. Hemstitched Towels	$21.00	$2.00
23 by 45-in. Hemstitched Towels	$25.00	$2.25
27 by 43 in. Hemstitched Towels	$27.00	$2.50
Mexican Hand-drawn Work Towels	$27.00	$2.50
	$30.00	$2.75
	$33.00	$3.00

These Towels come in bird's-eye, fish-eye pheasant-eye, basket, diamond, and various other fancy weaves.

Napkins

January Sale Price A Dozen

500 dozen 15-inch All-Linen Napkins, special for restaurant use	55c
100 dozen 17-inch All-Linen Napkins	$1.00
150 dozen 20-inch All-Linen Napkins	$1.35
Extra heavy All-Linen Napkins	$1.39
Very Fine Damask Napkins	$1.50
20-inch Fine Damask Napkins	$1.69
22-inch Fine Damask Napkins	$2.00
100 dozen German Linen Napkins	$2.25
Heather Linen Napkins, special,—	
20-inch size, six patterns	$2.50
22-inch size, six patterns	$3.00

Towels

January Price Each

18 x 36 Hemmed Huck Towels	10c
100 Doz Hemmed All Linen Towels	12½c
100 Doz. Hemmed Union Linen Towels	12½c
100 Doz Hemstitched Union Linen Towels	12½c
Fine Huck Towels	15c
Fine Huck Towels, Hemmed or Hemstitched	19c

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Medical Advice.

A doctor in a New England town had among his patients a Teuton whose sense of humor was a little hinted. Late one night, after an extremely hard day's work, the doctor went to bed feeling ill and exhausted Ten minutes later his doorbell rang. He went to an open window and called out:—

"Who is it?"

"It is me—Yawcob Heinscblatter."

"Well?"

"Mine vife she is seeck. She wants you to be there queek."

"I am tired out and I'm not well. I can't go out to your house to-night. You go and get Dr. Blank; he lives within three minutes' walk of you house."

Three-quarters of an hour later the bell rang again; the doctor went to the window.

"Who is it?" he asked.

"Me—Yawcob Heinschlatter."

"Didn't I tell you to go to Dr. Blank?"

"Yaas, and I did go to heem and be put his head out of the window and tell me 'go to the devil,' so I came right back to you."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

A Father's Rebuke.

"As severe a rebuke as I know of," said a judge, "was one that a New York millionaire administered to his son. The son, like many millionaires' sons, is a hard drinker. He does no work. Most of the day he lounges at one or other of the clubs, taking a brandy and soda every hour or so, and in the evening, after a good deal of wine with his dinner, he drinks steadily until bedtime. Nevertheless he is a young and handsome chap, and he goes out during the season a great deal. One day he received an invitation to a ball masque, and that evening he discussed with his family the various disguises that he might reasonably wear. After a good deal of talk he was was still undecided and, turning to his father he said, 'How would you advise me to go to this masque, sir?' 'Go sober,' the father answered bitterly."

A man would rather he last than first—in a funeral procession.

Coining Racial Characteristics.

A butcher who had a big market and confesses to his friends that he expects all of his assistants to make at least one-half their respective salaries on short weight was asked the other night how the scheme was operated. Said he:

"By studying human nature. An Irishwoman, for instance, always keeps her eyes on the scales, but is not over particular about her change. A German woman, on the other hand, invariably counts her change over and over again, but is heedless as to the weights. We work short change on one and short weight on the other."—New York Press.

CARD OF THANKS—The Palmer Odd Fellows Association takes this method to sincerely thank the chaperones and all others who took part in the recent production of "Parada" for their efforts and good work, to which in a very large measure the success of the performance was due. W. F. FILLMORE, Manager.

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"In my opinion Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best made for colds," says Mrs. Cora Walker of Portervilie, California. There is no doubt about its being the best. No other will cure a cold so quickly. No other is so sure a preventive of pneumonia. No other is so pleasant and safe to take. These are good reasons why it should be preferred to any other. The fact is that few people are satisfied with any other after having once used this remedy. For sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

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Charles Gilman residing on the Ware road, says: "While I do not want it to be understood that I have been completely cured by Doan's Kidney Pills, you can say for me that they have done me a world of good and I can recommend them to anyone as a good reliable remedy. I have been troubled off and on for some time with dull, heavy, aching pains through my kidneys and loins, and I have had also spells of dizziness in my head. If I bent over to lift anything it hurt me and caused my back to ache severely. Mr. LeGro recommended Doan's Kidney Pills to me and I commenced to use them some weeks ago. The pain has already left me and I am not troubled with dizziness as formerly. I can stoop without feeling twinges, in fact to tell the truth I feel better than I have in many a long day."

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What bothered him.—"Cheer up," said the minister; "you'll see your three wives in heaven." "Parson," gasped the man, "that's what's a-bothering of me!"—*Atlanta Constitution.*

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If you have bad breath, constipation, pain in the small of the back, discolored skin, nervousness or dizziness, your only wise course is to take Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Rondout, N. Y. It will cleanse the blood of all impurities, regulate the Kidneys and Liver, and thus restore a healthy glow to your cheeks again.

Mr. DeStyle—"Well, are all your arrangements for a summer at the fashionable resort completed?" Mrs. DeStyle—"Nearly, but I'm in such a quandary. I have arranged to send our house plants to a florist, our cat to a cat home, and our dog to a canine boarding house, so that all will be well cared for until fall; but what in the world shall I do with the baby?"—New York Weekly.

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She—"How old would you say I was!" He—"Um—well, I should say you were old enough to know better than to think I would answer a question like that."—Jest.

Harry—"See that girl over yonder! She looks good enough to eat." Dick—"Then I suppose you'll be making love to her before the evening is over." Harry—"You forget that I am a vegetarian."

Target Practice — Parson — "Isn't the Lord good, boys, to send the snow so you can have sport snowballing?" Boy—"Yes, parson; and what is better, he has sent you this way in a silk hat."—Puck.

Watchmaker — "The mainspring is broken, and it wants cleaning badly." Customer—"Why you cleaned it yourself only a month ago!" Watchmaker—"Yes, but you must remember that December is one of the longest months in the year."

Mrs. Passay—"I had quite a compliment to-day from Mr. Cleverly. He told me I looked as young as I did twenty years ago." Aunt Jane—"And you call that a compliment? I should call it rather an aspersion upon your younger days."

A man named Sisson, who stuttered badly, was taken before a police captain by an officer. The captain asked him his name. "My name is Sis—Sis—Sis—" "Well, never mind the name. Officer, what is this man charged with?" "I think, Captain, he is charged with soda water."

Emma—"Of course you won't mind my mentioning it; but don't you think a woman who wears diamonds on her fingers should have clean hands?" Carrie—"On the contrary, if one's hands are grimy, they draw more attention than if they were clean; and that's just the idea, you know."

One bright morning Jean and Jeanette find a richly dressed baby in a basket on their doorstep. They weep and laugh at turns; laugh over their good luck, and weep to think of the wretched mother who has had to give up her child in order to keep her rooms in the apartment. "Ah, the unhappy rich!" exclaim Jean and Jeannette, with cordiality.—Life.

The Christmas Trees at Junaluska

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CHAPTER II.

THE SECOND TREE.

ALL the adult Episcopalians met next morning to trim the tree. They had a few candles and tinsel decorations sent them by the foreign Santa Claus whom Grover Cleveland had tried to track, and for every member of their congregation they had made little stockings of net. These they proceeded to fill with candy and to hang upon the tree, discussing meanwhile the perambulating tree of the previous day.

"There was nary somebody passed by," said one, restoring the equilibrium of a tilted stocking with a bit of lemon stick. "The babies got something, every last one of 'em, and the niggers too, so fur as I know."

"Every one was free to go to the first Christmas celebration," said the young girl who taught the two months a year free school; "the shepherds came from the fields, and the angels came from heaven, and I have read that the wise men who came were from so far removed parts of the earth that they didn't even speak the same language."

"Yo' reckon they was all Episcopals?"

"No, but when they went away they were all Christians."

The rest of the decorators were a little awed by such erudition, and no further remarks were made till the last gift was tied in its place and the seven whole candles and the ten broken ones were ready for the lighting. Then they stood off and surveyed the work of their hands.

"It's powerful pretty," said one.

"Yes, but seems like it's narrow, contracted, 'longside of Grover Cleveland's tree. 'Co'se, we've got six five cent dolls, and he didn't have nary one, and he didn't have nary candle, but"—

"Old man Higgins told me 'Merry Christmas' yesterday evening. It's the first word he's spoke to me since I left the Methdis meetin' house, and I wish there was somethin' on this yere tree for him just to show him that we all ain't holdin' a grudge." And further conversation revealed the fact that every one there had a neighbor or friend belonging to one of the other churches whom, for one reason or another, he or she would like to invite to the Christmas tree.

The schoolteacher took a lead pencil from her pocket and they gathered round her. "We'll begin at the first house toward sunrise," they said. "There's three somebodies there, there's two in the next house and"—They counted every person in the "town" and on the roads leading to it and then the sch[illegible] "done a sum." "Seven pounds more would treat them all to candy," she said, and in a body they proceeded to the store to see if they could buy seven pounds at the wholesale rate.

"I declare, 'tain't my fault," pleaded the storekeeper. "I laid in ten pounds extra for Christmas, but old man Ledbetter come in yere, and he let Grover Cleveland clean me out. Yo' can gen'rally, most always trust Colonel Ledbetter not to do no low down tricks, but yo' all know how 'tis. If Grover Cleveland was a-hankerin' after the whole top side of the earth his grandaddy 'd git it for him if he could. I've ordered some more, but it won't be yere till tomorrow."

"That's all right," said the schoolteacher; "it'll take us all this evening to make the extra stockings, and tomorrow we'll have a tree for all Junaluska."

"Captain Boyce won't come, nor Judge Brevard, ary one. They took a oath never to set foot in that 'ar meetin' house."

"Then we'll move the tree somewhere else."

Such was the series of events that led to the gathering in Colonel Ledbetter's two room log cabin that overlooked the village from one of the main roads leading out of it. The log fire blazing wide and high in the chimney place put to shame the candles that swaled and sputtered in turnip candelabra, but could not quench the light that shone from merry eyes as the happy people helped or hindered with equally good intentions. Long before dispersion could be thought of the tree stood full fruited for the morrow's harvesting.

"Gettin' long in years, Colonel Ledbetter," observed a grizzled mountaineer, running his eyes along the blackened rafters of the cabin, "a hundred years old, ain't it?"

"Mighty nigh," answered the colonel, shooting tobacco juice at a fallen ember before kicking it back into the fire.

"Preacher Carr kept the old place mighty snug," said Captain Campbell, "and he was powerful proud of it too. He'd point out to every stranger the part the Injins built and the part Colonel Ledbetter's father added on to it, and he was proud of all outdoors besides. He 'lowed there wasn't another tree in the country as handsome to look at as this yere post oak out in front."

"And he was always yere when he was needed." The voice was unsteady, and the speaker sat in the shadow. "I tell yo' it cuts me powerful that when my wife died last spring there was nary a preacher to take her last test'mony, and she a-askin' for him all the time. The neighbors done what they could when we laid her away; they sung a hymn, and Judge Brevard read a chapter, but there was nary a sermon preached or a lesson of her life said over her. I ain't blamin' our young preacher; the branches was swelled at the fords and the bridges was swept away. He couldn't git yere nohow. But seems like somethin's wroug when we've got five meetin' houses and nary preacher livin' yere."

"My folks don't get to Presaterian preachin' but once a month. Our preacher's got four other charges besides Junaluska. He rides seventeen miles to git yere, but he ain't Samson, and he's mighty nigh wore out 'fore he begins, and he has to gallop through the sarvice and ride off to after dark preachin' somewhere else."

"Them was good old times"—the deacon's wife took off her sunbonnet and straightened up its crown as she spoke—"when we had preachin' every Sunday, and Preacher Carr was right yere on the ground ready for marryin' or buryin' or any sich like."

"And Mis' Carr, she was a mother to all of us."

"Our preacher's got a powerful big family, and they do say that he don't make enough to keep 'em all comf'table, but I don't know how 'tis. Our church agreed to give him $30 this year, and we done raised fo'teen of it cash down, and we reckoned we'd about made up the balance of it in apples and potatoes. They say he ain't nary top coat to wear, but we all give him nine pair of mittens and five pair of wristers, and Callerstown give him seven pair of mittens and four comforters for his neck and some wristers besides, and it do seem like his other churches ought to give him a overcoat."

A few minutes of thoughtful silence ensued. Then a philosopher spoke.

"It's a heap easier to 'stablish churches than 'tis to support 'em after they're sot goin'."

With a deeply drawn breath Colonel Ledbetter stretched out his legs, set his soles upright before the fire, folded his arms and squared himself.

"I'd like," he went on, "to all jine hands and pull together ag'in and don't meddle with each other's beliefs till some one's deeds shows that his creed is the best. I'd like not to worship any longer in meetin' houses that ain't as snug as a barn ought to be. All of us together can keep one buildin' painted and the roof tight and the windows sashed. I'd like not to have a hand in starvin' or freezin' to death any more preachers, but to support one right here in Junaluska. We done it once, and we can do it ag'in."

By the wall, the only occupant of a bench with legs of assorted lengths and easily tilted, sat Deacon Higgins, who here put in a demurrer.

"A shout-in' Meth-dis was I born,
And Meth-dis will I die."

"Well, yo' could remain a shoutin' Methdis."

"La, yes!" Colonel Ledbetter's plan had won some enthusiastic supporters among the women. "We all wouldn't object to your shoutin' in once in awhile."

"I'm tired," said a weary eyed woman. "I'm tired of the everlastin' scratchin' round to git ahead of some one else. I'm tired of runnin' our church with one eye on to four other churches to see that they don't come out a step ahead."

Here a horse's hoofs clattered upon the frozen road in front. Two or three women went to the window. "It's Preacher Freeman," they announced. "He's on his way to Mill's Ford to see that man that's been hurt by the explosion."

"He's got nine miles farther to ride, and it's mighty cold."

The door opened, and a tall man, dark and spare, entered. He might have been thirty years old, but he smiled at the tree with boyish appreciation as he made his way past it and gave the assembly a general "Howdy."

"Brethren, I spent last night twenty miles from here up on Harriman mountain. You all know what Harriman is like."

Colonel Ledbetter twisted himself round and faced the speaker.

"It's the barrenest, ungratefulest land in the North Carolina mountings, and how old Preacher Carr wrastles a livin' out of that place is more'n I can study out."

"It's Preacher Carr I want to speak to you about. You all know that Brother Carr can get a crop out of a piece of ground if any one can. Next to men's souls he loves the soil, and, my friends, whether we work with things physical or spiritual, it's the loving touch that coaxes on the harvest. You all know that, with late spring frosts and summer droughts, this has been a hard year for our farmers—your own cribs are only half full of corn, and your fodder stacks are few and small—and yet your valley is a land of promise compared to Harriman's Bald. Preacher Carr and his wife are facing a winter of want. They gave me the mountaineer's welcome, but when she prepared supper I heard her gourd scoop scrape the bottom of the meal bin, and this morning a creditor led away their staggering, starving cow. And yet Brother Carr is not decrepit; he is still hale and hearty, but—God pity the old when their work is taken out of their hands before their graves are ready for them.

"He asked after his people in Junaluska (you will be 'his people' as long as his loyal old soul harbors a sentiment), and when I told him I should pass through here this evening he said, 'Tell them a God bless you for me.' Some one has told him that his old church is well nigh gone to ruin, and he asked me to take notice of it as I passed by and to shut the door if it stood open.

"So I have come back to ask you to add to your Christmas list the name of your old neighbor, friend and pastor, this needy servant of God. He has not forgotten you, and I know you will not forget him."

He turned and walked out of the cabin, and the group sat in silence till the sound of his horse's hoofs grew faint.

"I was some to blame when Preacher Carr was sent away," said Colonel Ledbetter. "I hadn't a thing in the world agin him; 'twas only that two other churches was a-runnin' opposition to us, and their preachers were young men and were drawin' off our young people. I thought if we had a young man to preach for us we might get 'em all back ag'in. 'Twas zeal that made me do it."

But we need not give a full report of that meeting. It was not conducted by parliamentary rules, but its enactments went into effect next day. By sunrise hammer and trowel were playing away upon the Ledbetter cabin. Grandaddy and Grover Cleveland repaired the roof; they cemented the loose stones of the fireplace and topped out the fallen chimney; between the logs they spatted clay—taken from the road in front, but good as imperial Caesar's—and stopped the cracks "to keep the wind away." They propped the leaning cow shed, and before noon an occupant, "mighty nigh all Jersey," was chewing her cud, while over her head was stored "roughness" sufficient to keep her chewing till pastures were green. Her neighbor on the other side of a partition was a Kentucky bred mare which but a few hours ago had been the property of Captain Campbell.

Within doors the Christmas tree with its unshed mask still monopolized one room, but in the other cheerful hands worked a metamorphosis. Cobwebs, litter and soil disappeared, and furniture, country made, but adapted to its purpose, took its place. In one corner they corded together a bedstead in the good old fashion of their great-grandparents, and the bed they reared upon it was a marvel. There was a mattress of oat straw and one of corn husks, a bed of stripped hens' feathers and one of goose feathers, and bolsters and pillows in numbers sufficient to accommodate a family of hydras. Aunt Dicie furnished blankets, and among a collection of quilts was a wonderful one of old Miss Jimson's piecing. It contained by actual count 3,179 pieces, and she called it the foundation of the great deep. When at last that bed was made up the turkey red cherubs on the pillow shams (almost the only shams that civilization had introduced among those artless people) lay very close to the rafters. Its makers viewed it with admiration and complacency, but Deacon Higgins looked dubious.

"They're a toliable spry old couple," he said, "but"— And he wheeled a barrel of potatoes alongside as a suggestion of ways and means.

It would take a readier pen than mine to enumerate and describe all the gifts that were brought to that plenishing. The cupboard door refused to close upon the array of ham, hominy and honey (the three h's of the mountaineer), the salt risings bread and the soda biscuit. When bagfuls of cornmeal had been emptied into the new meal bin it was "plumb full," and they all surveyed it with satisfaction and "reckoned the scoop wouldn't scrape the bottom of that before spring."

All day long pedestrians and vehicles had been coming and going before the door as never before in the history of the old house, and yet when the sun had set the sky on fire behind the Bald the gathered people were still awaiting an arrival.

They scanned a mountain road above, visible only in short lengths where it emerged from the forests into the clearings.

"I see 'em!" a farsighted old man shouted with a boy's enthusiasm. "I see old man Ledbetter's white mules! Now they're behind May's peak. You'll see 'em come out on t'other side!"

At last the white mules stood before the door. Colonel Ledbetter and Grover Cleveland sat on the front seat of the wagon, and on chairs behind them sat Preacher Carr and his wife. Strong hands assisted the wife to alight, but the preacher sprang over the wheel to greet his people. They crowded round him, and the young cried "Merry Christmas," and the old said "Welcome home." They seated the pair beside their old beloved fireside. They were eight years older than when they left it. The preacher had "held his own," but when they took off the goodwife's bonnet her hair showed very white. A tender hand smoothed it.

"We are growing old," said the preacher, but they told him that the gospel that he preached and lived would never grow old. They told him, too, of repairs to be made in the old church. It would look just as it used to look, but over the door there would be an inscription, "The Church of Christ."

The tree was stripped, the white mules were headed homeward, old man Ledbetter gathered up his reins, and a tired little lad nestled close to his side.

"Wake up, Grover Cleveland, wake up! Don't yo' hear 'em singin'? Jine in, Grover Cleveland, jine in!"

Within the cabin a chorus swelled; without, one thin little voice piped free and clear:

"Crown him, crown him,
Crown him Lord of all!"

CHRISTMAS CHILDREN.

Some Famous Men Who Were Born on Christ's Birthday.

Even were it not for its celebration as the birthday of the Saviour, Dec. 25 would rank as quite a notable date in the year for the number of eminent persons whose natal day it is. Curiously enough, however, we seldom think of the day as the beginning of the career of any one on earth other than He to whom custom has assigned it.

We know that historical events of all sorts—battles, sieges and so forth—have occurred on Christmas, for articles almost without end dealing with this interesting side of the history of the day have been written, but of its biographical side little has been said, the more odd this because the fact that many notables have been born on the day cannot fail to prove of interest.

The biographical index of Christmas is comparatively long and includes such names as Sir Isaac Newton, William Collins, the lyric poet; P. S. Gilmore, the musician and bandmaster; Richard Porson, the greatest classical scholar England ever produced; Johann Jacob Reiske, the celebrated German orientalist; Clara Barton, Admiral S. C. Rohan and a number of others. Unhappy little shavers they must have been in their childhood with their birthday and their Christmas rejoicings all merged in one.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

CHRISTMAS IN WEST INDIES

How the Darkies of the Antilles Celebrate the Holiday.

Christmas in the West Indies is a very jovial, rollicking affair—at least in the estimation of the darkies. The great feature of the season is the series of masquerades or mystery plays enacted by strolling negro performers.

These are of two sorts. Representations of such Biblical stories as that of David and Goliath—when you may see the dramatis personae clad in such historically accurate garments as "bedtick" trousers and cretonne coats of flaming pattern—and those of a purely local character. Of these last is the mongoose play, which is peculiar to St. Kitts, and the object of which is to wage mimic war against the destructive pest which is the curse of the island. These strolling players are the chief feature of Christmas celebrations.

They are quite an imposing lot of men, with a good ear for music, and as you watch their antics you might easily imagine that, instead of being in a civilized British colony, you were back in the heart of Africa, assisting at some savage death dance or other heathen rite.

Christmas In Tibet.

Tibet, the home of the strangest and least known people on the face of the earth, is also the home of the strangest of Christmas customs. The feast of Queen Winter in Tibet corresponds with our own Christmas festival. The figure of this queen, or goddess, is painted blue and mounted on a camel, surrounded by a string of human skulls. The dance celebrated at this feast is called tsam, and the masked figures which take part in it would be comic if they were not so horrible. One represents a horned bull, another a deer, but this deer, peculiarly enough, has a horse's head, an ancient symbol among the Tibetans of the messenger of death. There are evil spirits in hordes, demons and other bad spirits to shock the ignorant people into blind obedience to the lamas. One god curses another, and every town has its local protecting divinity. There are serpent gods representing the spirit of evil, but they are fought by such protecting divinities as Garuda, who is always represented in lamaism with a stout body, human arms, wings and the head of a bird.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Christmas Cards.

The Christmas card as we know it has an origin easily traceable, and it is doubtless at least sixty years since the first was designed. The artist who claimed to be its originator and who was, at any rate, the first to see its possibilities was W. C. T. Dobson, R. A., who, when quite a young man, in 1844, was prompted at Christmas to make a little sketch symbolic of the season's joys and festivities and to send it to a friend. It seemed to give great pleasure, and the next year Mr. Dobson determined to follow up the idea on a larger scale, and by having his card photographed was enabled to send copies to twenty-five or thirty friends. The delight with which they were received was so great that Mr. Dobson was quick to perceive that he had found out a new pleasure for Christmas.—New York Mail and Express.

The Dawn of Christmas.

Christmas day begins in the middle of the Pacific ocean, and there is where Santa Claus starts and ends his great and only journey of the year.

A Prayer For the Poor.

Col' win' a-tryin'
Ter break down de do'—
Lawd sen' de Chris'mus
Of peace ter de po'!

Lean wolf a-howlin'
Out dar in de snow—
Lawd sen' de Chris'mus
Of peace ter de po'!

Sweet li'l chillun
Wid nowhar ter go—
Lawd sen' de Chris'mus
Of love ter de po'!
—Atlanta Constitution.

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How Woman's Club May Help Schools.

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that the school of the future will have a school yard of at least three acres in area Within its limits the parents of the community, the teacher and the pupil will plant forest trees, large and small fruit trees, vegetables and flowering plants. They will prepare and keep in condition the lawns, provide playgrounds, supply works of art and books of merit and furnish apparatus for teacher and pupil. There will also be provided by the local community two small buildings. In one of these will be found tools and lumber and the boys will have an opportunity to manufacture simple implements and utensils for the school and home. In the other the girls will be taught to cook and sew. The planning and caring for the trees and vegetables and the using of what is produced in these school gardens will enforce many useful lessons. To these items will be added such instruction in nature as will enable the children to see the beauty of the flower, enjoy its fragrance and understand the lesson it teaches, as well as to know the seed from which it grew, the root which gives it nurture, the stem which holds it in place, the branches which add to its beauty, and the leaves and flowers and fruit which adorn and render it useful.

While they are learning to read and spell and cipher they will learn something of their ancestors who hewed their dwelling place out of a wilderness and gave it its present relative position. They will know something of the details of the town organization, its officers, their duties and the industries which give employment to the people. They will indulge in more of that kind of play which is natural to childhood and will give freer rein to the fancy and imagination of the child. They will gradually come to see that it is more important that they be than that they have, and more necessary that they may be able to use than that they add to their possessions. Their school days will have been profitably spent if at their close they shall have learned that selfishness brings a curse, and self-sacrificing service multiplies all blessings.

No school can do its best work unless it is the pride of the people who support it It will hold the first place when it is the most prominent interest of those among whom it is located and has the intelligent and hearty support of all its patrons When these conditions exist then all will gladly join in enlarging and rendering useful the grounds in which the schoolhouse is located. Then they will paint its exterior, tint or paper its walls, provide the rooms with works of art and books of value, and supply the apparatus necessary to the best administration of the school. Before their work is done maps, charts, dictionaries, globes, statuary, engravings and numberless other articles will make attractive the rooms in which they are placed, and render more effective the work done by the teacher and children. They will also defend, support and magnify the school because it has their personal interests in charge.

It is in your power to help us to approximate this condition in Palmer. May we not feel the encouragement of your coöperation in some one if not all of the plans herein outlined? If it seems to you that we have overstated the case or have urged too much upon you, it is because of our desire to do our best for your boys and girls, in whom we have great hope and for whom we have much respect.

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WEST WARREN.

William Gordon has resigned his position in the machine shop of the cotton mills and taken a position as engineer in the F. G. Smith piano case company in Leominster.

Joseph E. S. Dufresne, who is employed as a carpenter at the cotton mills, had his right foot badly crushed Saturday morning by a pulley falling on his foot while at work in the finishing room.

Mrs. Emma Earrett, 34, wife of Henry Earrett, died at her home on South Main street Monday afternoon after a three-years' illness. She is survived by her husband. The funeral was held Wednesday morning in St. Thomas's church and burial was in Warren.

Stephen Polenski, who was employed in the card room of the No. 1 mill, had his right hand badly lacerated by its being caught in a carding-machine Saturday morning. He will not be able to attend to his work for several weeks on account of the injuries received.

Jeremiah Sullivan, who is employed by M. J. Shea, while driving a buggy along Main street Saturday evening, collided with a buggy owned by Mrs D. J. Sullivan and driven by her son John. The horse owned by Sullivan freed itself from the other buggy and ran to the barn without much damage. Mrs. Sullivan's son jumped from the buggy when they collided and escaped uninjured. Mr. Sullivan, who was driving the buggy owned by Shea, had one of his hands injured and the horse and buggy drove by him were slightly damaged. Those who witnessed the collision wondered that more serious damage was not done to the drivers and buggies.

The newly-elected officers of Court Quaboag, F. of A., were installed Monday night by Deputy Past Chief Ranger Thomas Byron and suite of Warren. The officers installed were: Chief Ranger, Jeremiah Casey; sub-chief ranger, George Normandin; recording secretary, John E. Hurley; financial secretary, Joseph H. Hebert; treasurer, Timothy M. Collins; senior woodward, Dr. H. H. Moore; junior woodward, Henry Quintal; senior beadle, Edward Barbeau; junior beadle, Pierre Bellaire; trustees, for three years, Alphonse Guyon; for one year, Alexander Methot; physician, Dr. H. H. Moore. Following the installation refreshments were served.

WARE.

Accidents Caused by Ice.

Two accidents were reported Saturday morning due to the ice and one nearly resulted seriously. Nelson Dwight, a purchasing agent of the Otis Company, who lives on Pleasant street, fell near the office and cut his head. He was taken to his home and was unable to attend to his work that day. Thomas Fitzgerald, janitor of the town hall, had a narrow escape. He had occasion to go to the rear of the town hall, and was standing just outside the door near the steps when a piece of ice two feet square and two inches thick fell from the roof and struck him squarely on the head. The ice probably had slipped from near one of the skylights over the stage, and sliding to the edge of the roof, fell with much force the distance of over 40 feet from the jet upon Mr. Fitzgerald. The force of the ice completely flattened a stiff hat and felled its owner to the ground so suddenly that he did not know what had struck him for several moments. He was aided inside and Dr. W. W. Miner was summoned and administered what relief he could. Mr. Fitzgerald was very dizzy from the effects of the blow and was taken to his home, where he remained until late in the afternoon.

Valuable Horse Sold.

Henry M. Clark has sold his gray trotter "Who Is It," record of 2.10¼ to Roscoe Benjamin, a wealthy horse fancier of Winsted, Ct. "Who Is It," who has the fastest trotting record of any gelding owned in New England, started racing when a three-year-old in California, and was champion of his year, taking a record of 2.12. He was then bought by Frank Jones of New Hampshire, who raced him down the grand circuit, and at Readville he won over a field of 14 starters in straight heats, taking a record of 2.10¼. His next big race was at Empire track, New York, where he was second to Peter the Great in 2.07¼.

The Springfield high school mandolin club and double quartet will give a concert in the high school hall next Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

The first services in the basement of All Saints' church for the Polish Catholics only were held Sunday morning at 8 and 9 30, with a large attendance.

Donald McDonald, head baker for Dennis Murphy in the Domestic bakery on West Main street, was badly burned while pouring hot lard in preparing to fry doughnuts Monday. His head and the upper parts of his body were badly burned, and he will be unable to attend to his work for some time.

These cases were entered in the district court last Saturday: Delia Daudelin against Louis S. Charbonneau; Joseph Boucher against Moise Sorel; Isaac Rome & Son of Worcester against George H. Houghtaling and Mary Houghtaling. John H. Schoonmaker is counsel for plaintiffs in all three cases and George D. Storrs will appear as counsel for the defendants in the first and last.

The marriage of Alice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thibeault, and Victor Ethier of Webster took place in Mt. Carmel church Monday morning, Rev. J. T. Sheehan officiating. Miss Georgianna Ethier, sister of the groom, was bridesmaid, and Edward Thibeault was best man. A reception was held at the bride's home after the ceremony, dinner being served to some 50 guests. At 1.15 Mr. and Mrs. Ethier left on a special electric car for Palmer, where there boarded an express train for New York. They will return tomorrow to Ware and will live with her parents during the winter.

The election of officers of Ware Court of Foresters was held Tuesday night with a large attendance. District Deputy John P. O'Connor of Palmer was present and installed the following officers: C. R., William B. Elliott; S. C. R., Uleric Beauchamin; S.W., Euclide Deslauriers; S. W., Mereric Sansoucl; L, George Whalen; T., John O'Brien; F. S., Ernest J. Lefort; R. S., Edward Sheldon. The report of the treasurer showed the society had over $4000 in bank, and had paid $700 in sick benefits during the year. After a lengthy discussion on the amount of benefits, it was voted to pay $5 for 15 weeks, instead of paying $5 for 18 weeks; $2 50 for 10 weeks; $1.50 during the entire sickness. The court has a membership of 169 Refreshments were served by Rohan.

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WALES.

The literary society held its meeting this week with Rev. E. B. Dolan.

J H Loudon has returned from a business trip to New York and Boston.

T. J. Hynes has the outside of his new block completed and is now finishing the interior.

James Graham received a slight injury to his hand by getting it caught under a 250-lb. cake of ice this week.

George Lanphear has put in 300 tons of 16-inch ice this week. Among others who have filled their ice houses this week are E. R. Shaw, R V Cooke, F. M. Royce, P. A. Gaudette, H H McFarland and N M Stebbins.

LUDLOW.

Selectmen John W. Hubbard, who has held the office of deputy sheriff for a number of years, has resigned, and Chief of Police Hall E. Storer has received the appointment and been sworn into office.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of Union church was held in the vestry Tuesday afternoon and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. W. Hannum; vice president, Mrs. Charles E Quimby; secretary, Mrs. A H. Bartlett; treasurer, Mrs. Albert A. Gove; committees, social, Mrs. E E. Craw, Mrs. C. W. Gowen, Mrs. J. B Irwin; sewing, Mrs. Austin E. Quimby, Mrs. David Meiklejohn, Mrs. Amos Paul Nichols, Mrs. Joseph Patterson, Mrs. Alice Keith; relief, Mrs. Paul L Burr, Mrs. A. A. Gove; flower, Mrs J. B. Irwin. The reports of the various officers showed them to be in a prosperous condition. During the evening a supper was served.

BRIMFIELD.

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. Streeter to-day.

Miss Florence Parker has returned home after taking a course in a business college.

Miss Jane E. Hall, 67, died last week at her home in Brimfield and was buried Saturday. Miss Hall had been a bed-ridden invalid for many years. The late Dr. Marquis Hall, an able physician who practiced in Spencer, was her brother and she leaves a brother who lives on the old homestead, Harvey D. Hall.

Miss Clara W. Crumb, teacher of the Center primary school and a graduate of the Emerson College of Oratory, will give a recital in the town hall Monday evening. Miss Crumb's specialty in reading is child impersonation, and she has been heard already with great pleasure in Brimfield. She will be assisted by Benjamin D May, violinist, Louise M. Crowell, soprano, and Florence B. Snow, mezzo-soprano, all teachers in the Hitchcock Free Academy.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Mrs. Bertha Butler is ill at her home in East Wilbraham, with her face and neck badly poisoned as the result of bathing them with a certain kind of liniment for neuralgia.

Miss Alice M. Kyle of Boston, field secretary of the women's board of foreign missions, will address the women of East Wilbraham, Ludlow and North Wilbraham in Grace Union church, North Wilbraham, to-morrow afternoon at 3. The meeting is held under the auspices of Grace Union church missionary society.

Mrs. Caroline Collins, 81, an old resident of Ludlow Center and widow of Richard Collins, died Sunday morning of acute pneumonia, after a day's illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry LaBroad in North Wilbraham. Mrs. Collins had lived in Ludlow Center nearly all of her life and for 50 years had been a member of the Methodist church in that place. Besides her daughter, she leaves one son, Fred R., of Ludlow. The funeral was held at the home of her daughter Tuesday afternoon and burial was in Ludlow Center.

BELCHERTOWN.

Prof. and Mrs. Thomas Allen have returned to Bernardston, after a vacation spent in town.

The body of Mrs Louisa Towne Benton of Stafford Springs was brought here for burial in Mt. Hope cemetery Wednesday. Her death removes the last member of the Abner Towne family. Mrs. Benton was 94 years old and had been twice married, her first husband, the late Humphrey Filer, having been one of the largest carriage manufacturers in town.

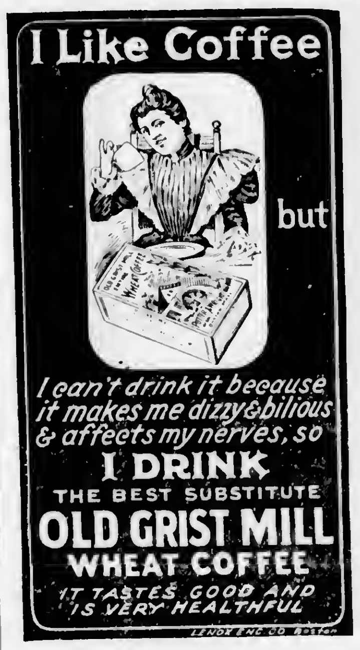
After the supper in the chapel last Friday evening, the annual roll call was held. Letters were read from Payson W. Lyman of Fall River, Rev. Mr. Woolworth of Brooklyn and Rev. Vernon C. Harrington, former pastors of the church. About 80 members responded by letter or in response to their names. The reports from the several societies connected with the church were read and showed them to be in a progressive condition. The Ladies' Aid society has a balance of $72 and the social circle has $27 deposited in bank and a small sum on hand. A collection taken up for the benefit of the church netted $13.

WARREN.

The Universalist church has chosen the following officers for the ensuing year: Parish committee, Charles W. Ball, John W. Tyler and I. Walter Moore; treasurer, Daniel A. Hathaway; clerk, Mrs. Harvey S. Ellis. There will continue to be services held as in the past and Rev. Frank L. Masseck of Spencer will supply the pulpit.

The first annual concert and ball of the social club will be held in the opera house February 9, and music will be furnished by Flanagan's orchestra of Marlboro. The committee of arrangements consists of John J. Teehan, Edward F. Moran and Everett Sheridan. There will be a prize waltz, with $5 in gold for the best man and a silk umbrella for the best woman waltzer.

The annual meeting of the Warren Building and Improvement Company was held in Brigham's hall Monday evening, and the following officers were elected: Directors, George A. Shumway, Charles N. Shepherd, William L Curtis, John M. Drake and Edward L. Fosket; clerk, Edward H. Burnap; treasurer, George E. Tarbell. It was voted to take all necessary steps for the dissolution of the company, which will be done at an early date. The dividend to be paid will probably be about $4 a share. The company was organized over ten years ago to promote the business of the town, and erected a plant and installed machinery valued at $50,000, which were leased to the Slater Engine Company. Since the failure of the latter company the affairs of the Warren Building and Improvement Company have been somewhat involved and the plant was sold to the Perkins Machine Company about a year ago.



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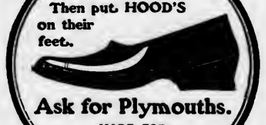

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PRESENT QUARTERS OVERCROWDED.

Larger Assembly Hall, Additional Recitation and Cloak Rooms, Better Ventilation Needed.

The prediction of the Journal last spring and again last fall that the voters would very likely be called upon to consider the question of more room for the high school at the March town meeting is to be verified, for it is understood that the school committee will have an article in the warrant asking for an adition to the high school building.

The reason for this is the overcrowded condition of the present building and the imperative need of larger quarters if the school is to do its best work. There is need of a larger assembly room, more recitation rooms, cloak rooms, and a better system of ventilation.

The present assembly room has accommodations for the comfortable seating of about 75, while 120 are crowded into it, the aisles having been narrowed to allow for the installation of additional desks until it is impossible to walk through them without turning sideways.

There are only two regular recitation rooms, and at least two more are needed; one of the present rooms is too small for the classes which have to recite in it, the classes numbering 35 while the room has a comfortable capacity of only 25. The principal's office is now used as a makeshift for a recitation room, but is small and inconvenient and in no way well adapted for the work. A small room on the lower floor which should be used as a retiring room is also made to do service after a fashion for a recitation room, although much too small for the purpose. This leaves the school without a room for use in case of accident or the sudden illness of a pupil or teacher, a room which no school should be without. Additional cloak rooms are also needed, the clothing not worn in the school now being hung in the halls and various places.

It is also the opinion that the ventilating system of the building is about as poor as it can be, the work having to be done through the windows. There is also a fire escape which is of doubtful use; it is a question whether, in case of fire, it would prove adequate to the demands upon it.

It is understood that the committee is unanimous in the opinion that additional room is needed, and needed at once—that is, as soon as it can be had. The general plan is to build an addition on the rear of the present building, as it is understood this can be done without sacrificing the looks of the present structure. Plans are being drawn by various architects and will be submitted to the voters at the town meeting, with estimates as to the cost.

Thorndike Pool Match.

The third week of the Thorndike pool match opened last Monday night at the S. M. T. A. S. rooms with a defeat for the Independents, M. Loftus and P. Stokes winning from George LaPlante and M. F. Sullivan by a score of 100 to 87. On Wednesday night W. Riley and M. F. Hurley of the society defeated D. Bressette and William LaPlante by a score of 100 to 74. The society team now leads by two points. The summary to date:

S. M. T. A. S.

C. E. Walker,	126
D. J Sullivan,	74
T. F. Sullivan,	82
P. Cahill Jr.,	71
W. Riley,	87
M. F. Hurley,	74
F. Longtine,	20
J. J. Mouglon,	40
P. Stokes,	56
M. Loftus,	44
Total,	674

Independents.

C. Bressette,	118
T Longtine,	82
D. Bressette,	98
W. LaPlant,	76
Wm. Gingraw,	59
Alex Goodreau,	41
F. Gebo,	60
M. Stokes.	29
F McIntire,	22
M. F. Sullivan,	47
Geo. LaPlante,	40
Total,	672

The next game of the series will be played at the society rooms Monday evening, when Frank Longtine and J. J. Mongeau of the society and William Gingraw and Alex Goodreau of the Independents will contest.

Probate Court Business.

At a session of the probate court in Springfield Wednesday a compromise was allowed in the estate of Mary J. Sibley, late of Palmer, the administrator, T. W. Kenefick, being allowed to settle the claim of Ellen Flaherty of Palmer for $250. The intestate left a bank book amounting to $1374.91, which was subject to withdrawal by either the intestate or Ellen Flaherty, or the survivor of either, and Ellen Flaherty claimed the entire amount. The administrator finds that a compromise can be affected by the payment of $250. Other business of local interest was transacted as follows: Administration granted in estate of Laura J Davis, late of Palmer, James H. Davis of Palmer, administrator. Will proved of Ann Daniels, late of Wilbraham, Evanore O. Beebe of Wilbraham executrix. Accounts allowed, Annie Hubbard, late of Ludlow; Matilda M. Vasica, late of Hampden.

Endeavorers to Meet in Monson.

The annual meeting of the Palmer and Monson Christian Endeavor Union will be held in the Congregational church in Monson next Wednesday evening at 7 30. A special feature of the meeting will be the roll call of the societies to ascertain which has the largest delegation present. After the program there will be a social hour, and it is hoped that large delegations from every society in the union will be present. The program of the meeting will be:

7.30. Praise Service. Led by C. C. Keep
Devotional Service. Rev. C. W. Williams
Roll Call.
Business. Address by Prof. F. A. Wheeler, chairman of the *Missionary committee*.
Reports.
Collection.
Music.
Address. "Work at Silver Street." F. F. Dunfield
Address. "Operating our Optimism." Rev. C. Julian Tuthill
Benediction.

Composite Leather Company Bankrupt.

The F. W. Dunnell Composite Leather Company of West Warren has been adjudicated bankrupt by the United States Bankruptcy court, and a first meeting was held at a sitting of the bankruptcy court in Springfield Friday. Arthur H. Sherwin was appointed trustee and his bond was fixed at $2000. The adjudication was contested by certain creditors of the company, and a hearing was given before Referee Charles W. Bosworth, and on the evidence submitted at the hearing the adjudication was allowed.

DEATH OF JASON A. PALMER.

Long and Well-known Resident of Town Passed Away Yesterday.

Jason A. Palmer died at his late residence on Knox street in Palmer yesterday afternoon about 12.30. He had been in failing health for nearly two years, but had not been confined to the house until recently. His death was largely due to organic heart trouble.

Jason Albert Palmer, son of Albert and Clarissa Palmer, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, June 6, 1833. In 1853 Mr. Palmer went to Clinton, Mass., where for two years he found employment in the Lancaster Cotton Mills. He then came to Palmer and bought the farm on Baptist Hill where Dea. Graves now lives, where he resided about ten years, and in connection with farming conducted an extensive business in buying large droves of cattle in Northern Massachusetts and Southern Vermont for the purpose of supplying the markets of Springfield and elsewhere.

About 1865 he gave up farming and the cattle trade and moved to the village of Palmer, where he later built the house where he has since resided. He then became interested in the lumber business, in which he continued more or less until quite recently. His operations in this line were quite extensive, involving the purchase of many wooded farms, the cutting, transporting and selling of the product, followed by the final disposal of the denuded land at the best possible advantage. Buying with good judgment, he made the business lucrative, not only in Palmer but in the adjoining towns.

In 1877 he received the appointment of deputy sheriff, in which office he continued nine years, devoting most of his time to the service. He became a most efficient officer and a terror to evil doers; he never losing but one man whom he had arrested, and he seldom failed to get his man when once on his track. During the time of his service as deputy sheriff he also served the town as tax collector for five years. He became a member of Thomas lodge of Masons in 1879; he was also a member of the Second Congregational church; in politics he was a life-long Republican.

In the capacity of a public office Mr. Palmer exemplified the best traits which should characterize such a position,—faithfulness, firmness, and persistence, tempered with justice and fairness to all concerned. He was a man of strict probity, honesty of purpose and reliable in all his business relations; a man of sound judgment, and having all these characteristics he made a success of life and not only gained the respect of all, but accumulated a good property. The passing of his life from the scenes of activity will be a loss to the community which will not soon be filled.

Mr. Palmer was twice married, first in 1855 to Adeline E. Anderson, who died October 20, 1889; they had two children, Carrie and Alice, who both died young. He was married a second time November 12, 1891, to Mrs. Mary L. Giffin of Hardwick. He is survived by his widow and three sisters, residents of Springfield, Mrs. Dorothy A. Place, Mrs. Nancy Mixter and Mrs. Mary Stebbins.

The funeral will be held at the house Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. M. O. Patton officiating, and burial will be in the Thorndike street cemetery.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING CALLED.

Overseers of Poor and School Committee Must Have More Money.

The warrant for a special town meeting on the afternoon of Monday, the 30th, will be found in another column. The overseers of poor find that they have not sufficient funds with which to finish out the year, and will ask for an additional $1500 probably. The appropriation last spring for the support of poor was $6500, and this is practically exhausted. By vote of the town last spring the treasurer is forbidden to pay out any money in excess of any appropriation, and for this reason the overseers are compelled to ask for a special meeting in order to provide funds with which to pay the bills of the remainder of the year. The expenses of this department of town affairs last year were over $10,000, and will probably be about the same this year, owing to the overseers being compelled to pay last year's bills to the extent of several hundred dollars, as well as spend a considerable amount for necessary permanent equipment for the town farm.

The school committee will ask for about $1400, to be used for teachers, fuel and janitors. The increased attendance at the high school has necessitated an additional teacher for which no provision was made when the appropriation for schools was made last spring, making an unexpected drain on the funds. *The fuel bill has been* more than was expected, and the appropriation for janitors is running low. In addition there was an extra payment to Superintendent Dean for services rendered during August and September of last year amounting to $300.

It is understood that the selectmen will be able to keep their expenses within the several appropriations, though a small additional sum is required to meet the expenses of the card index system adopted for the assessors.

Owing to illness on the part of Rev. W. A. Moore of the Universalist church he was unable to preach Sunday morning in exchange with Rev. M. O. Patton of the Congregational church as announced. Mr. Patton preached in the Universalist church and Rev. C. Julian Tuthill occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church.

ELECTRIC ROAD RECEIVER.

One Appointed for Hampshire and Worcester Road.

NO CARS WERE RUN ON LINE MONDAY

But Line was in Operation Again Tuesday. Handicapped by Financial Troubles.

As the result of a combination of circumstances, all cars on the Hampshire and Worcester electric road stopped running Monday morning at 7 15 and did not resume operations until Wednesday morning, when the road was again open for business.

A petition has been pending in the superior court at Worcester, asking that a receiver be appointed for the road, and on Monday Justice L. L. Holmes appointed George S. Taft of Worcester, district attorney for Worcester county, receiver for the road, placing the bonds to be required furnished at $20,000. Receiver Taft sent an associate in his law office, Attorney George R. Stobbs, to Ware Tuesday to act for him in getting a preliminary knowledge of the situation. After a consultation with H. M. Coney, president of the road, and D. E. Pepin, superintendent, it was deemed advisable to open the road for business again Wednesday morning.

The shutdown was also caused by a lack of coal in the power-house. There were four cars in Gilbertville, but Mr. Coney would not have any of them switched down until a decision was reached in regard to the appointment of a receiver. On Tuesday, upon learning that a receiver had been appointed, Mr. Coney was authorized to have the cars of coal transferred to the power-house, which he did.

The management of the Hampshire and Worcester street railway company has always been badly handicapped by its financial troubles, and some of these have come to head during the past year. The Union trust company of Boston is mainly responsible for the recent pushing to collect judgments against the road. Some time ago Attorney B. W. Potter of Worcester entered a petition in behalf of W. E. Swindell of North Brookfield, who claimed damages from the accident on Main street in Ware, October 18, 1902, when the West Brookfield car slid back from the East Main street incline and collided with the Gilbertville car near the library. In connection with this petition of Attorney Potter's there have been a number of counter petitions, answers and allegations filed by the various parties interested in the road financially.

GAINING RAPIDLY.

The Boston Journal, Selling At One Cent, Has Increased Its Circulation Immensely.

The Boston Journal has been making a remarkable record during the past year. It has gained in circulation every month in 1904 except April, and has to-day 55,000 net circulation.

This means a growth of over 17,000 sales in the brief space of twelve months, and shows how popular the paper has become.

Although sold now everywhere for 1 cent, it keeps up all the departments that a 2-cent paper carries, having its usual strong editorial and financial departments, its entertaining dramatic and musical department and a whole page devoted to women and women's affairs, and edited by the best women's editors of New England.

Its sporting department is regarded as remarkably good, and even those who take other papers find that they turn to The Journal for the comments and news that its columns carry on the sports of the day.

This growth in circulation has been accompanied by a big growth in advertising, so that to-day The Boston Journal carries the advertising of all the large stores in Boston.

A Tremendous Production.

Mr. Wright Lorimer's stupendous production of "The Shepherd King," with Mr. Wright Lorimer in the role of David, began a much talked of return engagement at the Majestic theatre, Boston, Monday evening. "The Shepherd King," it will be remembered, played a six-weeks' engagement early in the season to capacity business, creating a most favorable impression. People from all over New England crowded the theatre to see this wonderful spectacle, and it was a matter of regret both to Mr. *Lorimer* and the management of the Majestic that on account of contracts they were unable to arrange for an extension of the engagement. Since leaving Boston Mr. Lorimer has appeared four weeks in Baltimore and four weeks in Philadelphia to record breaking business. "The Shepherd King" will be presented during the forthcoming engagement exactly as it was before, and the cast, aside from Mr. Lorimer will include Edward Mackay as Jonathan, Charles Kent as King Saul, May Buckley as Michal and Nellette Reed as Merab. Matinees will be given Wednesday and Saturday, and as the engagement will be limited, early reservation of seats should be made.

Miss Della Hastings, who has been teaching in the high school in Rockville, Ct., has resigned to take a more lucrative position in Braintree.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, JAN 18, 1905.

Republicans who are acquainted with the two appointees of Gov. Douglas on the bench of the superior court say that "they are fit appointments." The opportunity to criticise lay open to them, if they chose to exercise it, and that was their comment. Judge Aiken is felt to be worthy of the chief justiceship of the superior bench, and John C. Crosby is a worthy man to take the vacancy made by the promotion of Judge Aiken. The unanimous confirmation of Aiken this afternoon will doubtless be followed next week by the unanimous confirmation of Crosby and then the complement of the bench will be full once more, but with one more Democratic judge. But even that will not give the Democrats as many as they deserve by their proportion of population, measured by the usual vote for governor.

To-day's great accomplishment is the ending of the Fall River cotton mill strike. But a close reading of the terms of the settlement will show that the manufacturers kept true to their expectation that they would demand virtually a complete surrender on the part of the operatives. The means which have been taken and the statement of the governor will help to save the face of the workers, but it is none the less true that it is a thorough surrender. There is hope that something may be saved by reason and forbearance from the wreck of the strikers' aspirations, but they are now in the hands of the manufacturers and they have gone to work at the 12½ per cent reduction of wages. Now it is to be seen what the manufacturers will concede which they are not obliged to.

Gov. Douglas starts with relations to the Legislature more like those of Gov. Crane than like those of Gov. Bates. He has taken pains to let it be known that he would prefer to be on friendly terms with the members and talk over with them before hand measures upon which it is possible that differences of opinion might arise. Gov. Bates paid strict regard to the dignity of the Legislature, letting them do their duty as they saw it, without any intimation from him as to whether or not he would sign or veto bills, letting them stand on their merits. This, of course, is the ideal way of carrying out the provision of the constitution that the different branches of the government shall never discharge the functions of each other, but at the same time, the practical business way is to have an understanding with the men with whom one must act harmoniously if legislation is to succeed, and thus avoid any complication.

The election of United States senators came out exactly as was expected. Too much is made of the incidents, compared with other occurrences at the state house, as far as news is concerned. The seven Democrats who voted for Crane but did not vote for Lodge did so because they have a high personal regard for Crane,—and all but one of them came from the western part of the state,—and also because they wished to make it appear that Lodge is not as popular as Crane. But Lodge got the full strength of the party in both branches, while Crane lost in the Senate the one vote which was given by Senator Cheney of Lowell to John D. Long, who is a warm personal friend. But each of the senators got enough votes to satisfy any reasonable man. There is a tendency to draw party lines tight, but it is not many years since the Republicans would not use the word "caucus" of their gathering to fix upon a candidate, but instead called it a "conference," after much argument, too, showing that it was their deliberate action.

It is desired by the legislative powers that be that the people of the state take notice that Saturday of this week is the last day for putting in new business. This is materially earlier than it has ever been before and is due to the determination to shorten the session. Last year, and for several years, the date has been the last business day of January. Formerly it was February 22. The idea that the end of the session is hastened by putting the date of new business early has been proved mistaken over and over again, and it will be an exception to the rule, if this latest effort is productive of the desired end. As the Legislature is elected to do the business of the people, and as the people always make a fuss and ask for suspension of the rules if they are inconvenienced, it does not help matters much to put the public at inconvenience. But, everybody now take notice and get the business in before Saturday night and do not come here Monday or Tuesday, saying that you forgot, or mislaid your petition.

It looks as if some excitement might be developed in the hearings of the liquor law committee, for there have been introduced bills which are sure to cause hot debate. One of them provides that liquor sellers shall not sell after 10 o'clock at night. The petition is a printed blank, evidently sent out from some headquarters, and it says that drinking at late hours is responsible for the large part of the crimes and for the ruin of homes. It also quotes from the experience of Scotland, where sales are not permitted between 10 p. m. and 8 a. m. to prove that such regulation would work well in this country. The other liquor measure, which was introduced into the House this afternoon, asks that half of the liquor license fees be paid into the county treasuries, and the other half into the state treasury. In somewhat similar form this is an old proposition, to take from the cities and towns some of all of the money which they get from the issue of liquor licenses. The proposition always provokes a hot fight and the opposition has always won, for the average taxpayer seems to prefer to get his money by licensing the liquor trade than by restricting the trade and the consequent damages and paying more in taxes, as he supposes he would have to do. One point of the temperance people is that it would be direct economy for the city or town to save the loss by drink and make more than the license fees would amount to. But there is never but one end to the fight and it is to be expected that it will come this year.

Charles A. Dean of Wakefield, who has put in the direct inheritance tax bill for *several years and been largely instrumental* in carrying it through the House, but who is not a member this year, was at the state house to-day looking over the ground He has not decided yet whether he will put in the bill or not. Treasurer Bradford made his final report to-day, and it shows that whereas the collateral inheritance tax yields only about $13,000 in the first year of its enforcement, which was 1892, yet last year it netted about $575,000, and the total amount yielded by it to the state is but little short of $5,000,000. This is a powerful argument for the imposition of a direct tax upon inheritance and successions, and it would not be strange if the measure became law eventually, but the strenuous opposition of the rich people, through their representatives in the Senate

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FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 20, 1905.

MORE SCHOOL ROOM.

On the surface of things it looks as though the town might as well prepare to build an addition to the high school building this year if it is to provide adequately for all the pupils who have a desire to attend that institution. Of course a new building, advantageously arranged and avoiding the mistakes made when the present building was erected, would be very nice, but that would be a considerable sum and we should have the present structure on our hands with no use for it. An addition ought to be planned which will provide for the needs of the school for a number of years to come, and with that we shall have to be content.

A PECULIAR CONDITION.

From all parts of the country come reports of increased deposits in the savings banks at the beginning of the new year, and that in the face of short time in the mills in many localities and depreciations of wage-earning opportunities. The natural question is, how to account for it. A reasonable supposition would be that at the end of such a year there would be a withdrawal from the savings banks of at least the interest accumulated during the year; but on the contrary not only has the interest been left on deposit but considerable sums have been added by the very persons who would naturally be supposed under the circumstances to be most in need of ready money. Banks report in some places withdrawals of only half the usual amount and deposits of double the usual sums. There can be but one reasonable explanation, that in times of good wages the money is spent in ways and for articles not absolutely necessary, but with less money coming in expenses are reduced to the actual necessities of life.

WOULD COMPEL SERVICE.

Hon. Willard Howland, chairman of the state board of conciliation and arbitration, speaking before the members of the Massachusetts and Suburban press associations at Boston last week, had the following to say regarding the selection of public officials:

"He who feels that he is too good to work in the civic government or in the legislature is a bad citizen. It is the duty of every citizen to lend his talents to the state, city or town in which he lives. Why is it that men speak slightingly of the boards of aldermen and of our common council. Because the men who ought to be in them are not there, and the thing for the press to do is to raise the sense of duty and patriotism of such men so that they will become willing to serve in those boards. The government of cities will come to this pass, I think, that men for the common councils will be selected just as jurors are now. Make their service compulsory, that would bring into the public service men whom the state and city would delight to honor. Men, who, when they had become better acquainted with public service, would be willing to give of their time and talents for the benefit of their fellow-citizens. By such means public service would become again an honor and men would not shrink from it as they do now."

He was speaking in particular of town and city officials, and his remarks are of more than ordinary pertinence. It will be hard to find in this commonwealth a city or town which is not suffering, in a greater or less degree, from the disinclination of its best citizens to assist in the government of the community in which they live and in which their business interests are located. It is not an ideal situation, but nevertheless true. While Mr. Howland's plan may not be an ideal one, there is much to commend it to the thoughtful attention of every citizen who has the best interests of his community at heart.

HOPE SOMETHING WILL COME OF IT.

There is one section of Gov. Douglas's message which has a more than passing interest for the people of Palmer. In that section touching on municipal ownership he said:

I recommend legislation giving to cities and towns wider powers in the conduct of business which derives its profit from the necessities of the community. * * * It has been demonstrated by the experience of towns and cities in this Commonwealth, that under favorable conditions and proper management the business of gas, electric lighting and water supply can be conducted by municipal corporations with profit to the inhabitants, both in price and in service. In many cases of privately owned public service corporations the rates, fares and prices charged are too high. * * * In most cases the publicly owned and operated water works, sewers, gas and electric lighting plants have given the public cheaper and better service than have the privately owned concerns. For these reasons, I ask the Legislature to give every reasonable facility to those municipalities which desire to conduct their own public-service utilities. * * * I believe that every such franchise taken over by the public relieves the people from possible exaction, practiced for private profit. With the low rates at which municipalities can borrow, and the elimination of dividends, the rates must be inevitably lowered and the people become alone responsible for the efficiency of the service. At present the laws offer great obstacles to the assumption of such works by the municipalities.

The particular interest for the town of Palmer in the above is the question of a water supply. The fire district—or the village of Palmer—is already served by the Palmer Water Company, but the growing needs of the villages of Three Rivers, Thorndike and Bondsville for water both for domestic purposes and for fire protection seem to point to the present as a desirable time for the town to take a hand in the matter. There is little question but that it could engage in the business if it so desired. The Palmer Water Company has been approached in the past for a price on its plant, and has named $75,000; it can be duplicated with much better material in the way of pipe for a sum not exceeding two-thirds of that amount. The plant of this company is not in any way necessary to the realization of a water system for the entire town, there is plenty to be had elsewhere, but it might be the part of wisdom to acquire it provided the price was within reason. It can of course be taken, but the experience of other cities and towns along this line is that they ultimately are compelled to pay from two to four times the worth or cost of the plant when the price is fixed by a commission. It is certain that the voters will be asked at the annual town meeting to consider this matter of a water supply, and for that reason legislation along the line suggested by Gov. Douglas would be very acceptable.

CHIEF CROKER of the New York fire department wants to prohibit the use of all fireworks except firecrackers on the Fourth of July, and in support of his plan points to the 128 fires they caused and the 846 persons injured by them in that city on the last Fourth. Of course the dealers and the American youth will protest, but there will be much of sympathy with him on the part of the public in general.

IN view of the attention which is being paid of late to consumption and the efforts made to effect its cure, it is well to note that the state authorities have killed during the past year 1658 cattle affected with tuberculosis, although very little has been heard of their work.

ALL previous records for pension legislation were smashed in the National House last Saturday, when 459 bills were passed in 108 minutes. That was certainly "going some."

PALMER NEWS.

District Court.

Monday's grist consisted of one "drunk" who had been on probation and was required to report.

Tuesday Joseph Mere of Ludlow was charged with drunkenness. He insisted in riding back and forth between Ludlow and Palmer on the electric cars Monday evening and refused to get off when requested to; furthermore his remarks were decidedly offensive to ears unaccustomed to profanity. He was assessed a fine of $5, and as he had no money but a job in view, his case was continued until Feb. 6 for payment.

Jerry Crowley of Thorndike, who was placed on probation for drunkenness nearly a year ago and required to report from time to time, was called to account for his failure to pay any attention whatever to the order of the court; he had no excuse to offer and was fined $10, which he paid.

George E. Hitchcock of Brimfield was charged with having and using a horse which was unfit for service. He was fined $5, which he paid.

Yesterday morning Joseph Buddock of Ludlow was assessed $5 for drunkenness, and paid.

Stanislaw Lavandusky of Ludlow was charged with the larceny of $20 from his sweetheart, Salmouy Cribbage, it being alleged that she gave him money for the purchase of a railroad ticket to Chicago for her; instead he purchased a ticket to New York and gave her a time table from New York to Chicago to represent the balance of the ticket. The case was continued until this morning in order to secure the attendance of the complainant.

Daniel Richards, a young man of perhaps 20, was arraigned on a charge of peddling without a license, fined $50, and in default of funds was sent up. Richards was peddling paper and envelopes, and his arrest was directly due to the insolent manner, insulting language and profanity which he used in several places where the ladies of the house were not inclined to patronize him.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

The services next Sunday will be conducted by Rev. Charles Olmstead of Three Rivers.

The weekly dance will be Thursday night, and the usual dancing school Saturday afternoon at 3.

"The Pierces" gave a very enjoyable entertainment Tuesday night. A little farce was the first number on the program, followed by music, and some excellent impersonations from real country life. "The Pierces" were with us two years ago, and we hope to see them again.

A very pleasing entertainment was given Monday night at the hospital by the senior class of the Palmer high school. It was well-managed in a business-like way, and the audience seemed to appreciate it. The program was made up of two farces, with the following casts:

MRS. CARVER'S FANCY BALL.

Mr. John Carver,	C. E. Maxwell, '05
Jack Carver, his nephew,	H. E McGregory, '05
Mr. Oliver Brigham, Miss Carver's fiance,	E. R. Barton, '06
An Officer of the Law,	S. N. Stimson, '06
Mrs. John Carver,	Sara Thompson, '05
Beatrice, her daughter,	Blanche LeGro, '05
Polly, the maid,	Helen Clark, '05

BOX AND COX.

Mr. Box,	W. W. Green, '06
Mr. Cox,	I. R. Shaw, '06
Mrs. Bouncer,	Mabel Oakes, '05

New Bowling Alleys Opened.

Tufts' bowling alleys in the basement of the Holden block on Main street were completed Saturday and used for the first time Saturday evening. There are two alleys of the regulation length, extending from the Main street front of the building along Central street to the farther side of the vacant store in the rear of the block, the foundations having been taken out to give the necessary room. The floor was excavated to give ample height. The alleys are the Brunswick-Balke-Collender, and the room is lighted by gas. Entrance is gained through the store formerly occupied by Mrs. L. E. Carpenter, now occupied by Mr. Tufts as a pool room, and the arrangement is such that ladies can reach the alleys without going into the pool room. Mr. Tufts intends to establish ladies' days, when the alleys will be reserved for their exclusive use, if there is any demand for it. Several matches are being arranged for, and the Three Rivers and Palmer teams will meet there next Tuesday evening.

To Abolish Probate Court in Palmer.

On petition of Judge Long and others, a bill has been introduced in the Legislature to abolish the sittings of the probate court which are now held in Palmer four times each year. The plea is that the amount of business done in the sittings of the court in places outside of Springfield is of no great volume, in fact that it sometimes happens that there is not a single case awaiting the judge and register. The sittings in the city of Springfield are held to provide ample opportunity for the transaction of the business from this section of the county.

Relic of the Stafford Flood.

Frank M. Connor of Central street has an interesting relic of the big flood in Stafford Springs, Ct., in 1877, in the shape of a silver cup which he fished out of a deep pool in the river about half a mile below the village some time after the catastrophe. Failing to find an owner for it he has retained it.

E. E. Brooks was the guest of friends in Middletown over Sunday.

Edward J. Collis of Springfield was the guest of his parents over Sunday.

G. B. Kenerson is seriously sick with rheumatism at his home on Park street.

Gardner Randlett of Church street was the guest of Worcester relatives Sunday.

Mrs. P. E Bard has returned from an extended visit with her father in Gouveneur, N. Y.

Miss May E. Maloney of Fiskdale is the guest of Miss May E. Hemphill on Park street.

Mrs. S. E. Fletcher of Chicopee has been the guest of Mrs. Ellen Leach on Church street.

Elder Goodwin of Springfield will preach in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

William Hemphill of Park street has taken a position in the Palmer bakery on Church street.

The King's Daughters met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. F. M. Webber on Pleasant street.

Miss Sara Wickham of Norwalk, Ohio, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stone on Squier street.

J. F. Clark has petitioned for a discharge from bankruptcy, and a hearing will be in Boston on the 30th.

Frank McGnan of Central street has taken a position as fireman on the Boston and Albany railroad.

The Dorcas society held a meeting in the vestry of the Universalist church Wednesday afternoon at 2 30.

The insurance upon P. E Bard's lunch cart, which was burned recently, was adjusted and paid Monday.

A telephone has been installed in the house of W. E. Kenyon on South Main street; the number is 52-3.

Henry G. Trumble has moved his family from the Silver Street district to the Lawrence block on Main street.

Kelly's dancing school has opened with nearly 50 pupils and meets in the opera house every Thursday evening.

Dr. H. C. Cheney has received an appointment on the surgical staff of the Hampden Homeopathic hospital in Springfield.

The Monday Evening Whist Club will meet with Mrs. Abbie J. Lawton next Monday evening at her residence on Park street.

Mrs. S. W. Cheney is making improvements on the house which she recently bought at the corner of Main and Church streets.

An error was made in the list of officers of the W. C. T. U. in last week's paper; Mrs. Dalrymple's name should have been printed as first vice president.

The Springfield Business School of Springfield, B. J. Griffin principal, has issued a handsome catalog which will be sent to any one interested on request.

William H. Dean of North Main street was yesterday adjudged an insane person and committed to the asylum at Northampton. He has been ill for some time.

The Penelope Sewing Club met at the home of Miss Clara S. French on Maple street last evening. Refreshments were served and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Charles T. Brainerd has the contract to fill the icehouses at Forest Lake for the street railway company, and has commenced the work. The ice is about 14 inches thick.

The Entre Nous Whist Club will meet next Monday evening with Mrs. A. J. Purinton on Central street. Members are requested to be on hand early, as play will begin at 7 30 sharp.

Revere chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will give the adonda, "The Star-crowned Cross" next Tuesday evening at 7.30, to which Masons and their families and invited guests will be admitted.

The Home Missionary Auxiliary of the Congregational church will hold a meeting in the church parlors next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The subject will be "The Land of Little Rain, Mexico."

Mrs. D. L Bodfish starts next Monday for a trip to California, to be gone until about the first of May. Her two children, Elizabeth and Robert, will spend the time with their grandmother in North Anson, Me.

Services at the Congregational church Sunday at the usual hours. Sermon by the pastor at the morning service. Evening church service in the vestry at 7 o'clock. Mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7 30.

The adjourned meeting of the Congregational church was held last evening, when it was voted to hold the Sunday evening services in the vestry of the church until May 1. The meeting was still further adjourned for two weeks.

The J. F. Gallivan Building Company has the contract to build a three-story brick storehouse for the Otis Company at Ware. It has also been awarded the contract for the extension to the Belton mills at Belton, S. C.

E. R. Pierce, who has been in Boston several weeks for treatment, is expected home to-night or to-morrow. He is much improved in health, and his many friends sincerely hope that he is on the road to complete recovery in the near future.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church Sunday morning will be "The Eyes of the Heart," or "The Means of Spiritual Knowledge." Sunday school at 12 o'clock; Junior C. E. at 4; Y. P. S. C. E at 6; evening song service at 7, followed by a sermon on "A Brother's Worry."

Tax Collector Hawkes some time ago sent out summonses to all delinquent taxpayers to settle at once or take the consequences. The time limit is up to-morrow and collection will be made by legal means if payment is not made at once. The unpaid poll bills will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection.

The meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club which was to have been held this afternoon with Mrs. J. C. Wing on Central street has been postponed until to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock on account of the inability of the speaker, Rev. Dr. B. D. Hahn of Springfield to be present to-day. He will speak on "The Eastern Situation; Japan and Russia."

The annual ball of the fire department will be held in the opera house this evening. There will be a concert from 8 to 9 by Flanagan's singing orchestra of Marlboro, which has furnished music for the firemen several times in the past and has proved so popular. The hall has been decorated by Buchholz of Springfield and presents a very attractive appearance.

There will be a joint meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club and the Woman's Tuesday Club in the parlors of the Universalist church next Thursday afternoon at 3 30. There will be an address by Miss Georgia A. Bacon of Worcester on "Civil Service Reform." The meeting is not for club members alone, but everybody is invited to attend; there will be no admission fee.

H. A. Northrop has filled his ice houses on the Thorndike road with fine ice 15 inches in thickness. Mr. Northrop has never before filled these houses full, but has partially filled them in addition to filling his house on Park street in this village, but this season there was no water to fill the Park street pond, so that no ice has been cut there yet. The recent rains have filled the pond, but the ice is not yet fit to harvest.

Business men appreciate the new Boston and New York mail facilities recently installed on the Boston and Albany road The express for New York at 1.58 p. m. and the one for Boston at 3 48 now carry mail cars and take and leave mail for all points between the terminals both ways. Heretofore the 3 48 train for Boston has carried closed pouches for Worcester and Boston only. Mail for these trains is gathered from the boxes at the station.

Sarah Anna LaSalle, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver LaSalle of Central street, died Sunday morning after an illness of about a year. She leaves, besides her parents, three sisters and one brother. The funeral was held in St. Thomas's church Tuesday morning at 9.30 with a requiem high mass, Rev. P. J. Carey officiating. There was a profusion of beautiful flowers. Burial was in the Thorndike cemetery. The bearers were all cousins of the deceased. They were James McGrath of Monson, Thomas McGrath of North Hadley, James LaSalle of North Hadley, Larkin Pronix of Hatfield, George Boyle of Hatfield, Edward Proulx of Amherst.

A most enjoyable entertainment was the musical lecture on "Parsifal and the Holy Grail," given Wednesday evening in St. Paul's church by Rev. Henry R. Rose. The stereopticon views were unusually fine and clear, and the speaker's story was so concise and in such simple language that all could grasp every detail of the theme, while no part of the story was lost or even slighted. There was a good audience, many coming from the villages and from Monson. In the musical part of the program Miss Macartney and Rev. W. A. Moore were the soloists, and there was a quartet composed of Miss Macartney and Miss Carrie Fish, Mr. Moore and E. E. Brooks; Miss Annie Fish was accompanist and Miss May Fiske rendered several pieces from the opera on the piano.

THREE RIVERS.

Runaway Accident.

The horse attached to the grocery sleigh of L L Dupuis and driven by Delvina Fortier took fright near the residence of L. L. Keith last Saturday morning and ran up Main street, where it was stopped by Clement Russett. The sleigh, which was a new one, was badly smashed, and the groceries were strewn all over the street. Mr. Fortier sustained painful injuries and was attended by Dr. Charles Giroux.

Miss Blanche Upham is ill with grippe.

Mrs. W. F. Fillmore is ill with the grippe.

Miss Mary Harrington is seriously ill in Amherst.

Thomas Coleman of Boston is visiting John Lane.

Michael Motalles has opened a store on Bourne street.

Thomas Prendergast is contemplating a trip to Colorado.

Miss Nellie Conroy spent Sunday with friends in Springfield.

Richard Bruce spent Sunday with John O'Donald in Holyoke.

Thomas J. Cougan spent Sunday at his home in Indian Orchard.

Mrs. J. W. Merrill of Collinsville, Ct., is visiting Mrs. P. C. Story.

Miss Edna M. Cooley of Springfield is visiting Mrs. M. R Foskit.

Miss Rosealma Fredette spent Sunday with friends in Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. M R. Foskit spent Sunday with relatives in Belchertown.

Several French families from Canada arrived in this place Wednesday.

Miss Ella Holt of Norwich, Ct, is visiting at the home of J. H. Trickett.

Raymond Grout has accepted a position with A. C. Smith of Belchertown.

Frank Fleury spent the first part of the week with relatives in Thorndike.

Miss Jennie Abraham is confined to her home with an attack of the grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Webb of Springfield are visiting at the home of A. W. Warriner

Misses Nora and Delia Lane spent Sunday with Miss Nellie O'Connor in Springfield.

E. F. Dent has moved into the house formerly occupied by W. T. Abare on Springfield street.

Miss Mary Thomas has accepted a position with Mrs. Thomas Bruce at the Wenimisset.

Misses Martha and Minnie Kuss spent the first part of the week with friends in Springfield.

Miss Eliza Forbes of West Warren spent the first part of the week with Mrs. Robert Blair on Palmer street.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard R. Russell have moved into the house formerly occupied by P. C. Story on Maple street.

W. F. Fillmore began cutting ice near the old icehouse Tuesday. The ice on the river has attained a thickness of 12 inches.

Edward Parrow fell down stairs last Saturday and fractured two ribs and received other minor injuries. He was attended by Dr. W. Chiverett.

The subject for Rev. Charles Olmstead's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Best Book for the New Century;" the evening topic will be "The Defective Armour."

The subject for Rev. D. C. York's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Logic of Missions;" the evening topic will be the first of a series on "Daniel's Great Prophecy."

A whist party was held at the home of Miss Margaret Chambers Tuesday. The first prize was won by William Murphy and the consolation prize was won by Rachel Chambers.

Willis A. Calkins sustained severe injuries Wednesday while sharpening an ax. While Mr. Calkins was sharpening the ax it dropped from his hands cutting through his trousers and shoes, inflicting a gash on his foot. He was attended by Dr. S. O Miller.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Union church held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. F. A. Upham Wednesday. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. H. Trickett; vice president, Mrs. A. F. Calkins; secretary, Mrs. F. A. Upham; treasurer, Mrs. R. C. Newell.

A Polander was injured in the repair shop of the Palmer Mill Thursday. He was taking a keg of white lead up on the elevator and having arrived at the second floor was about to take the lead off when the elevator fell with the man and keg of lead. His physician was unable to determine whether his injuries were serious as it is feared his injuries are internal.

Rev. E. A. Thomas of Central Falls, R. I, formerly pastor of the Baptist church in Three Rivers, will deliver a stereopticon lecture in the Baptist church Monday evening, the 30th. His subject will be "The Connecticut Valley," and there will be 100 views, shown by an expert operator from Boston. Tickets will be on sale at the door for 25 cents. The fact that Mr. Thomas is well known in this vicinity and is an able and interesting speaker should draw a full house. The lecture has proved a large success where he has given it previously.

THORNDIKE.

Honors For Thorndike Boy.

The following from the Pittsfield correspondent of the Springfield Union will be of interest to the many friends of Dr. Flynn, who was formerly a resident of Thorndike:

Some 50 friends of Dr. M. W. Flynn, representing the Knights of Columbus, Park Club, and politicians of all parties, including Prohibitionists, visited him unannounced at his home on Burbank street, this evening, Jan. 14, the plan being to present him with a mahogany bookcase, but, as David Rosenhein explained, it had not arrived on account of the recent wrecks on the Boston and Albany road. He promised that the bookcase would adorn Dr. Flynn's home soon if he had to assume management of the freight traffic of the road himself. The evening was passed with whist, and vocal selections and refreshments were served.

Miss Ruth Bishop is entertaining out-of-town friends at her home on Commercial street.

A number from here will attend the fireman's ball in the Palmer opera house this evening.

Mrs. Daniel Shiels of Commercial street is visiting her husband in Bridgeport, Ct., this week.

Miss Daisy Martalus of Ludlow was the guest of Miss Louise Longtine on Church street Sunday.

Miss Ruth Bishop entertained a number of her friends with whist at her home Wednesday evening.

Miss Elizabeth Knox of Springfield is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Edward McKelligott on Commercial street.

Mrs. Joseph Roulliard was called to Putnam this week by the death of her brother, Louis Roulliard.

Mrs. Kathryn Bondville was called to Waterloo, Can., Tuesday by the death of her mother, Mrs. Fortune.

The Ladies of Columbus will hold a valentine party in Memorial Hall in Palmer Tuesday evening, Feb. 14th.

The marriage engagement is announced of Miss Lillian Brow of Palmer Center and John Bressette of Thorndike.

Matthew Coffey returned to Easthampton Sunday after spending a few days with his wife, Mrs. Coffey on Pine avenue.

The Springfield and Eastern street railway company have nearly completed the waiting room at the Lake junction.

Fred Chabot, who underwent an operation in the hospital at Melrose, has returned to his home on Church street.

Miss Taylor has returned to her home in Granby after being the guest of Rev. F. C. Taylor and family on Summer street.

Mrs. George Lewis returned to her home in Monson after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Trumble.

Mrs. Crimmins and daughter Margaret of the Ware road spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Crimmins in West Springfield.

Mrs. Julia Lynch and neice, Miss Connel of Church street, went to Brooklyn, N. Y this week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ryan.

Keith Brothers are filling their ice houses, one situated near Brown's pond and the other on Main street, with good quality ice.

Rev. Michael Kennedy returned to Troy, N. Y., Monday after being the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kennedy on Main street.

The ladies of the Congregational church will serve an oyster supper Wednesday evening, followed by a drama entitled, "Old Maid's Club."

Mrs. Everett Kendall has returned to her home in West Warren after visiting Mrs. C. A. Tabor and Mrs. Edward Fuller on the Bondsville road.

Stephen Healey has returned to St. Bonaventure's College, Alleganey, N. Y., after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Healey, on Commercial street.

Eda, the two-years-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Matthews, sprained her left wrist by falling on the floor in her home Wednesday afternoon. She was attended by Dr. Miller of Three Rivers.

John F. Luman of the Fish and Game Commission, who has been acting as chief deputy for the enforcement of the fish and game laws and who has been at work for the past year in the state house at Boston, has returned to field work for a time.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society held a missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. George Mooers on Commercial street Tuesday afternoon. Talks were delivered by Mrs. Hubbard, president of the Woman's Missionary Club of Springfield, and Mrs. Kyle, vice president of the same club. There was a large attendance.

Charles Krusyzna, employed in the slasher room of the Thorndike Co's. No. 1 mill, had his right arm badly injured Friday afternoon, it being caught between the roll and cylinder on one of the slashing machines which he was tending. The accident happened while Mr. Krusyzna was in the act of cutting some yarn. His arm was caught in such a manner that the roll had to be pryed or raised in order to release it. He was attended by Drs. Smith of Bondsville and Giroux of Three Rivers. Fears are entertained that the injured member may have to be amputated.

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DIED.

In Palmer, 15th, Sarah Anna LaSalle, 17.
In Palmer, 19th, Jason A. Palmer, 71y. 1mo.
In Monson, 17th, Mrs. Elmira Pelton, 73.
In Monson, 19th, Joseph H. Carpenter, 66.
In Monson, 19th, Catherine T., 55, wife of A. N. Geary.
In Ware, 14th, Mrs. Joseph Chenette, 50.
In Ware, 14th, Miss Mary Jane O'Neil, 41.
In Ludlow, 14th, Frank R. Pigeon, 55.
In West Warren, 17th, Minnie Broderick, 34.
In Lynn, 14th, Patrick Gargan, 48, formerly of Ware.
In Bernica, Cal., 24th ult., Mrs. Susan Atwood McDonell, formerly of Belchertown.

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NOTICE—I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting my wife, Ruth Alhina Capen, on my account, she having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation. I shall pay no bills of her contracting after this date. ALBERT CAPEN. January 9, 1905. 42-3

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The property at the head of School street in Palmer, Mass, known as the "Dr. Wood" place, will be sold at auction, on

Saturday, Feb. 4, 1905,

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Property consists of a lot 8 rods square, 1½ story 2-tenement house, and barn, and will be sold to the highest bidder.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PALMER NATIONAL BANK, at Palmer, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, January 11, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$170,335.66
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		702.83
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		100,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		3,750.00
Bonds, securities, etc		163,049.77
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		6,089.53
Due from approved reserve agents		47,932.89
Notes of other National banks		3,925.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		165.35
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	$20,890.85	
Legal-tender notes	5,100.00	25,990.85
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		5,000.00
TOTAL		$526,941.88

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$100,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	13,026.97
National Bank notes outstanding	96,650.00
Due to other National Banks	774.74
Dividends unpaid	24.00
Individual deposits subject to check	257,328.49
Demand certificates of deposit	38,665.66
Certified checks	295.10
Cashier's checks outstanding	176.92
TOTAL	$526,941.88

State of Massachusetts, County of Hampden, ss: I, Chas. B. Fiske, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
CHAS. B. FISKE, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of January, 1905.
CHAS. L. WAID, Notary Public.
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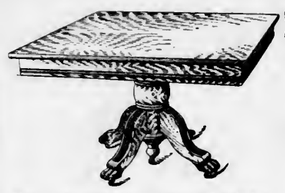

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Monson News.

WILL GO TO WORCESTER.

Dr. Rand to Move to That City. Dr. Capen His Successor.

Dr. J. P. Rand has disposed of his practice in Monson, and is to remove to Worcester, where he practiced previous to coming to Monson on account of the death of his brother, N. W. Rand, six years ago. Dr. Rand will be succeeded by Dr. Elwyn W. Capen of Becket.

Dr. Capen is a young man, 29 years of age, and was born in Stoughton. His early education was obtained in the public schools of his native town, supplemented by academic study at East Greenwich, R. I., and Wilbraham. Later he entered the Massachusetts State College at Amherst, from which he graduated in 1896 In 1898 he began the study of medicine and graduated from Boston University in the class of 1902, of which he was elected president. During his senior year he also served as president of the Y. M. C. A., which is connected with the college. In 1902 he had two months' experience in the Cullis home for consumptives at Boston and took a special course in medical gymnastics under Dr. Sargent of Cambridge. May and June, 1903, were spent in the John Hopkins University at Baltimore, where he took a special study in dermatology and general practice under Prof. Gilchrist and the celebrated Dr. Osler. Last year for four months he attended the skin clinic of Dr. Powers at the Homeopathic dispensary in Boston once a week. The rest of his time since his graduation has been spent at Becket, where he has had a successful practice.

Dr. Rand and family have a wide circle of friends here, who will regret their departure from this town. Dr. Rand will remain here until Dr. Capen is familiar with his practice.

Death of J. H. Carpenter.

Joseph H. Carpenter, 66, a prosperous farmer of this town, died at his home on East Hill yesterday morning of pneumonia, after a brief illness. Mr. Carpenter was born in Monson April 13, 1838, on the place known as the Daniel Carpenter farm, where he lived until about 16 years of age, when he moved with his father, the late Charles Carpenter, on to the farm on East Hill, where he had lived up to the time of his death. He received his education in the public schools and Academy of this town. Mr. Carpenter was a member and regular attendant of the First Congregational church and was superintendent of the East Hill Sunday school for two years. Honest, upright and unassuming he had a wide circle of friends who will mourn his death. He leaves a widow and three children, Alice, a teacher in the schools of Providence, R. I., C. Walter of the Massachusetts Agricultural College and Ernest H., a student in the Monson Academy; also one sister, Emma Carpenter of this town. The funeral will be held from the residence on East Hill to-morrow afternoon at 2.30, Rev. N. M. Pratt officiating, and burial will be in the No. 1 cemetery.

Monson 29, West Springfield H. S. 26.

Monson Academy won again at basketball Saturday afternoon, defeating West Springfield high school at the Holmes gymnasium in Monson in the fastest and cleanest game of the season. The game was exciting. The first half ended in favor of the Monson boys, 14 to 10. Toward the end of the second half West Springfield made a spurt, which kept the crowd in the gallery noisy for the last 10 minutes. For Monson, Briggs, Hynes and Faulkner did good work, each securing four baskets, while McClaflin and Cross excelled for West Springfield. The summary:

Monson Academy.	West Springfield H. S
Faulkner, l f	r g, Worthington
Hynes, r f	l g, Harris
Briggs, c	c, McClaflin
English, l g	r f, Buffman, Randall
Graves, r g	l f, Cross

Score, Monson 29, West Springfield H. S. 26. Goals from field, Briggs 4, Hynes 4, Faulkner 4, McClaflin 5, English 2, Cross 4. Goals from fouls, Briggs 3, McClaflin 4. Referee, F. Dunfield. Timer, E. H Hanley. Scorer, H. Neville. Time, 20-minute halves. Attendance, 200.

Academy Notes.

Miss Doyle, '05, visited friends in Holyoke last Wednesday.

Prof. Dunfield will go to his home in Boston to-morrow morning.

James Foley, formerly a student of Wesleyan Academy, has taken up a special course here.

Chester English has been kept from attending school the past week because of an attack of the grip.

Manager Faulkner of the basketball team has arranged a game with Westfield high school, to be played in Monson on Feb. 23.

Charles W. Lu is kept busy every pleasant day taking pictures of all students who so desire without any expense to them whatever.

The basketball team will play Chicopee high school to-morrow afternoon. The line-up is as follows: Hynes rf, Faulkner lf, Briggs c (capt.), Graves rg, English lg.

O. C. McCray was in Gardner Monday on a business trip.

George Alexander and family have gone to Hartford, Ct.

Miss Nellie Shoughrue spent Sunday with relatives in Westfield.

Frank Shields has taken a position in the hotel at Stafford Springs, Ct.

Miss Mae McDonald is spending a few days with friends in Springfield.

Day Spring lodge of Masons held a regular meeting Tuesday evening.

Mrs. W. A. Needham spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at Westfield.

H. M. Smith has been filling his ice-house from the Ellis pond this week.

Miss Inez Farrel and Miss Jennie Chaffee spent Sunday with friends in Hampden.

Mrs R. E. Williams is suffering from a badly burned hand, caused by hot water.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold a food sale at the Methodist church next Friday.

Mrs. J. P. Rand has returned from a few days' visit with relatives in Wethersfield, Ct.

Representative A. D. Norcross of Boston spent Sunday with his family on Main street.

The King's Daughters will meet this evening with Mrs. D B. Needham on Lincoln street.

Ruth Wills, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Wills of Granite street, is ill with measles.

Rev. J. S. Lemon of Gardner has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Flynt on North Main street.

"A lesson in chivalry" will be the subject of the sermon at the Congregational church Sunday morning.

Arthur Graves entertained a whist party of his young friends at his home on Pease avenue Wednesday night.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church held a bash supper and social in the church vestry Tuesday evening, which was well attended.

The Monson Social Club held its regular monthly business meeting in its rooms in the bank block Wednesday night and voted in four new members.

The Current Events Club met this afternoon with Miss Nellie Squier. The meeting next Friday will be held with Mrs. G. C. Flynt on High street.

The senior class of the Academy will hold a social in the Academy chapel this evening at 7 30 o'clock. A candy sale and a laundry office will be the special attractions.

One of James Pendergast's delivery team horses, driven by Thomas Crowley, slipped on the ice Monday morning near the Century House and broke one of the shafts of the wagon.

About 25 people from here are planning to see "Rogers Brothers in Paris" at the Court Square theatre Monday evening. The last car from Springfield will run through to Monson.

The Century Whist Club held a gentlemen's night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. S Homer on High street Tuesday night. The consolation prize was won by Mrs. F S. Chapman.

Next Friday evening there will be a sociable in the parlors of the Congregational church. Supper will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock followed by an entertainment in charge of Mrs. Warner.

The Century Club will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. A. H. Bennett on North Main street. The meeting will be in charge of Mrs. N. M. Pratt, Mrs. A. E. Shaw and Mrs. F. A. Wheeler.

Emery Prentiss, teamster for Ralph Clifford, has been unable to work this week on account of an injured foot, caused by being stepped on by a horse which had been newly shod. The sharp caulks cut the foot badly.

Mrs. Elmira Pelton, 73, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McAllister on Moulton Hill Tuesday night, having been in poor health since several weeks ago when she sustained a severe fall. The body was taken to Worcester Wednesday on the 4 20 train.

M. G. Gavin and Co. announce their semi-annual clearance sale commencing to-morrow and lasting only one week. Their stock of millinery, muslin underwear, gloves, fancy stock collars and notions will be offered at greatly reduced prices.

A stereopticon entertainment of unusual interest to Monson people will be given in the chapel of the Congregational church next Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Dorcas society. Brief explanations of the pictures will be given by Robert H. Cushman. The entertainment will begin at 7 45 and there will be an admission charge of 15 cents.

The whist party held at the Quaboag Country clubhouse Monday night was a very pleasant affair, there being ten tables. L. C. Flynt and William Neilson were the hosts. The first prizes were won by Miss Blanche Cushman and Mr. C. W. Jackson and the consolation prizes by Mrs. F. S. Chapman and E. E. Thompson. The next social evening will be a valentine party.

Catherine T. Geary, 56, wife of A. W. Geary, died at her home on the Wilbraham road yesterday morning after a long illness. Mrs. Geary came to this town about three years ago from Holyoke, where she had resided about 20 years, and had a wide circle of friends. Last October she underwent an operation for cancer, which finally resulted in her death. She leaves a husband and three sons, George F., Henry M. and Walter A., all of this town, and one daughter, Mary E.; also two sisters, Mrs. M. A. Ryan of Rochedale and Mrs. William Corcoran of this town, and one brother, D. Ford, of Hartford. The funeral will be held from St. Patrick's church to-morrow morning at 9.30 and burial will be in the Catholic cemetery on Pearl street.

The girls' team of the class of 1907 defeated the class of 1906 at basketball in the Holmes gymnasium Monday afternoon 8 to 2.

1907.	1906.
Miss Ruth Flynt, c	c, Miss Hannigan
Miss Ella Crowley, r f	r f, Miss Connell
Miss Margaret Kearns, l f	l f, Miss Dillon
Miss Mildren Moulton, l g	l g, Miss Ritter
Miss Florence Crocker, r g	r g, Miss Pendergast

Baskets, Miss Kearns 4, Miss Connell. Scorer, Miss Murphy. Timekeepers, Miss Horton, Miss Kennedy. Time, 15 minute halves. Attendance 50.

BONDSVILLE.

Miss Minnie Collins is confined to her home by illness.

Mrs. H. C. Morgan was the guest of relatives in Enfield Tuesday.

Mrs. E. G. Childs visited relatives in Lowell the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Joseph Castledine has been confined to her home by illness this week.

Mrs. H. C. Cushman of Bernardston is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Lewis R. Holden.

Mr. and Mrs. Sisson of Monson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Darling last Sunday.

The next meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society will be held at the home of Mrs. E. G. Childs.

The Ladies' Aid Society have voted to give a "Pie" supper in the church vestry on the evening of Feb. 8

Miss Adams of Stafford Springs, Ct., has been visiting at the home of Miss Florence Bond this week.

Miss Marion Knowlton of Amherst is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A P. Knowlton.

James Smith and wife of Ware spent Sunday with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Donovan, on Spring street.

Mrs. Allen Hall of Bridgeport, Ct., visited this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor.

A number from this village went to Palmer Wednesday night to attend a lecture on "Parsifal," which was given in the Universalist church.

William Arcoutt of this village will take charge of the bowling alley in Thorndike which is being built by R. L. Bond of this village and is nearly completed.

The next meeting of the King's Daughters Circle will be held next Monday at the home of Mrs. E. E. Rather. The meeting will be held in the evening and will be followed by a social for members.

Unclaimed letters are advertised in the post office for the following persons: Jean Bap. Deanphnais, J. A. Lombard, Mrs. E. S. Michels, Edward St. Germaine, and Miss Julia F. Smith.

E. L. Cummings has sold his saw and cider mill and farm adjoining to Roswell Hastings of Palmer, near Forest Lake. Mr. Cummings intends to move his family to California in the spring.

A skating party was organized Tuesday evening consisting of the older residents as well as the younger. They gathered on the river above the upper dam and a large bonfire was built, which added much to the occasion. They all reported fine skating and an enjoyable time.

The Ladies' Aid Society held a very enjoyable meeting at the home of Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Beeman Wednesday afternoon. After the business meeting was over Mrs. Beeman read a poem on "The Raising of Dorcas," which was much enjoyed by all. There were 30 members present.

A sewing circle has been formed among some of the young girls of the village. Mrs. H. C. Morgan is the president and Miss Laura Bond is secretary and treasurer. Meetings are to be held every week and the next meeting will be held next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Morgan.

The Bondsville Country Golf Club held its first whist party of the season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Childs Wednesday evening. There were 20 present and an enjoyable time was reported by those in attendance. The first prize for gentlemen was won by George Moulton and the consolation prize went to Robert Cockran, while Miss Viola Marsan secured the first prize for ladies and Mrs. E. G. Childs the consolation prize.

About fifteen couples from this village surprised Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hanifin at their home in South Belchertown last Saturday evening and presented them with a Morris chair as a token of their esteem. A very pleasant evening was passed in playing games and dancing. Refreshments were served during the evening, and the following entertainment was given: Vocal solos, John F. Cavin, Michael Loftus and M. J. Moriarty; piano solos, E. F. Hayes; quartet, P. Fitzgerald, M. E. Shea and the Donohue brothers. Readings were also given by Miss Maggie Sullivan and Miss Nellie Donovan.

The annual business meeting and election of officers of the King's Daughters Circle was held last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Adams. The following officers and committees were elected: Leader, Mrs. E. G. Childs; vice leader, Mrs. Warren Fisherdick; secretary, Mrs William Morse; treasurer, Mrs. H C. Morgan; work committee, Mrs. E. G. Childs, Mrs. H. C. Morgan, Mrs. F S Gordon; decorating committee, Mrs. George Adams, Mrs. F. S Gordon, Misses Dora Hayes, Edith Childs, Annie Collis, Genevra Billings and Mildred Dustin; flower committee, Misses Alice Thompson and Edith Childs and Mrs. George. Adams.

WILBRAHAM.

A special meeting of the executive committee of the Wilbraham Academy Alumni Association was held in Hartford Saturday afternoon and arrangements were made for the annual banquet and reunion, which will be held in Jewell hall in Hartford, Friday evening, February 17th. It is presumed that about 200 graduates will attend and there will be six post-prandial speakers.

HAMPDEN.

John McCarthy, whose harber shop and pool room were recently burned for the second time, left town a few days ago.

Mrs. A C. Thompson is the guest of Mrs. Samuel Davis of Springfield, and attended the annual meeting of the Homestead Club at the Hotel Russell yesterday.

The ladies of the M. E. society will serve a roast pig and salad supper in the vestry of the church Tuesday evening. If stormy, it will take place the next fair evening.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

George W. Tupper, an old resident of the place, sustained a slight shock Monday afternoon while at work around home, and his right side is partly paralyzed as the result.

Mrs. Harriet Chapin, 74, met with a painful accident Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry M. White, with whom she lives. She was going from one room to another and tripped on a rug and fell. It was at first thought that she had broken her hip, but it was later learned that it was badly sprained.

LUDLOW.

George D. Green is ill with a severe attack of the grip.

Miss Sadie Briggs of North Brookfield has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. E. N. Fisher.

The Dramatic Club gave the four-act drama "Our Jim" before a large audience in Granby Wednesday evening. The ladies of Granby church served a chicken-pie supper.

Frank R. Pigeon, 55, died suddenly Saturday morning from an attack of rheumatism of the heart. He had complained of feeling ill for two days previous to his death, but kept at work. Mr. Pigeon was a native of Canada, and had lived in Ludlow about 22 years, being employed in the wood-working department of the Ludlow Manufacturing Associates. He is survived by a widow and 10 children.

Special services have been held at the First church this week. Rev. and Mrs. Haynes of Nashua, N. H., have been present and assisted at the meetings. Mr. Haynes has had wide experience in evangelistic work and is an easy and interesting speaker. Mrs. Haynes is an accomplished singer and ably supports her husband in the work. The meetings have been well attended and of much interest.

The bell in the old Methodist church at the Center was taken down and hung in the new church at the village last week and rung for the first time Sunday. The bell has been in use nearly 50 years. For many years after it was hung it was tolled at the death and also at the burial of each member of the congregation. The members of the banquet committee and the waiters were given a reception at the parsonage Friday evening. Between 30 and 40 were present, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

At the Grange meeting Monday evening it was voted to hold a fair Wednesday afternoon and evening, September 20. The following officers were elected: President, E. Newton Fisher; secretary, John G. Taylor; treasurer, A. L. Johnson; directors, Charles B. Bennett chairman and superintendent of hall, E. E. Chapman, Mrs. G. D. Green, Mrs. F. E. Sikes, F. G. Bennett, Mrs. J. K. McLean, Mrs. O. B Miller. It was voted to have a printed grange program for the year and Mary Clark, E. J. Streeter, F. G. Bennett, Mrs. E. E. Chapman, C. B. Bennett, A L. Johnson and Caleb Estey were chosen as a committee to have the matter in charge.

BRIMFIELD.

An Enjoyable Entertainment.

The recital given in the town hall Monday evening by Miss Clara W. Crumb, teacher of the Center primary school, assisted by members of the Hitchcock Free Academy faculty, was an unusually choice entertainment, and was enjoyed by a good audience. There was an excellent representation of townspeople, and a party from Wales was in attendance. Many children were present, including the little children of the primary school, who attended upon invitation of their teacher. Those besides Miss Crumb who took part were Benjamin D. May, principal of the Academy, violinist; Miss Louise Crowell, teacher of music, soprano, and Miss Florence B. Snow mezzo-soprano. Miss Crumb is a graduate of the Emerson College of Oratory, and makes a specialty of child impersonation. A number of her selections showed her peculiar talent in that direction, but her rendering of other parts was equally good and she completely held the attention of the audience throughout. Her distinct enunciation and grace and simplicity of manner, as well as sympathetic interpretation, were enjoyed. The program was as follows:

"Just Like Other Folks." Haight
Miss Crumb.
Violin Solo. Selected
Mr. May.
"A Little Matter of Real Estate." Myra Kelley
Miss Crumb.
Solo, "Whisper and I Shall Hear." Piccolomina
Miss Crowell.
a) "Fishing." b) "You Never Can Tell." c) "My Ships." } Ella Wheeler Wilcox
Miss Crumb.
Melodie in F. Rubenstein
Mr. May.
"Prior Rahere's Rose." Emily M. Morgan
Miss Crumb.
Solo, "Slave Song." Teresa del Riego
Miss Snow.
"Gypsy Flower Girl."
Miss Crumb.

The audience was a highly appreciative one and there were many encores. The musical talent in the Academy faculty is unusual and the town is to be congratulated on the opportunity of listening to such entertainments as that of Monday night.

Gifts to the Library.

The public library received a Christmas present from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lee of Boston of 30 volumes of the novels of Anthony Trollope. They include the Parilamentary series and the Barsetshire series. From Miss A. E. Fisher of Boston, the library received at the same time five volumes, consisting of "The Fireside Sphinx," by Agnes Repplier; "Concerning Cats," by Helen M. Winslow; "The Hermit's Wild Friends," by "The Hermit of Gloucester;" "The Religion of an Educated Man," by Francis S. Peabody and "The Nature of Goodness," by George H. Palmer. The library received a New Year's present of the notable work, "The Historian's History of the World" in 25 volumes, from James D. Lincoln, the giver of the library building. Mr. Lincoln is now in Los Angeles. Miss Laura Boorman of Brimfield has presented the year's subscription to "The Craftsman" and has also given a number of books.

Served Its Purpose.

"A certain cadi of Bagdad had been in his youth a fisherman, and, to keep himself in mind of his humble origin, there was always spread upon his dinner table a huge fishing net.

"People admired the cadi for this exhibition of humility. He was rich, and his house was sumptuous. But, amid all that elegance, the net, the sign of the man's lowly birth, was always prominently displayed.

"The story of the net spread through the city and finally reached the ears of the caliph. He, in due time, sent for the cadi, took him into his favor and made him his grand vizier.

"'Thus,' said Haroun al Raschid, 'we reward humility.'

"From the day of his appointment the grand vizier ceased to exhibit his fishing net. It disappeared, and it was never spoken of.

"Once, though, a visitor, a man of considerable impudence, said to the vizier:

"'Why is it, my lord, that your net is no longer spread upon your table?'

"The vizier smiled and quietly replied:

"'It has caught the fish.'"

Louis Napoleon's Title.

It has been said that Louis Napoleon, who assumed the imperial dignity in 1852, a year after his famous coup d'etat, was influenced in the choice of his title by a curious misconception. An enthusiastic prefect closed an official document with the words "Vive Napoleon!!!" and these three notes of exclamation were mistaken for the Roman numeral III.

Another and very similar story is to the effect that official posters appeared upon the walls of Paris headed Napoleon III. by a printer's error for Napoleon II. I.—that is to say, Napoleon II., Imperator, or emperor.

The less romantic reason is that had the son of the great Napoleon lived to succeed his father he would have been Napoleon II. and that on this ground Louis Napoleon figures as the third of that name.

Fooling Baby.

Mrs. Noopop—My baby cries all night. I don't know what to do with it. Mrs. Knowitt—I'll tell you what I did. As soon as our baby commenced to cry I used to turn on all the gas. That fooled him. He thought it was broad daylight and went to sleep.—Trained Motherhood.

Fraternity Notes.

Pilgrim commandery, Knights of Malta will meet on Tuesday evening of next week.

Palmer council of the Knights of Columbus hold a regular meeting next Thursday evening.

There will be a regular convocation of Hampden Royal Arch chapter of Masons next Monday evening.

Palmer lodge, A. O U. W., will hold a regular meeting next Tuesday evening at 7.30. Officers will be installed by D. D. G. M. W. Frank J. Benn.

There was a regular meeting of L. L. Merrick Woman's Relief Corps this afternoon, after which supper was served to the members by the retiring president and executive committee.

Tockwotton tribe of Red Men will raise the new chiefs to their stumps on Thursday evening of next week, the ceremony to be followed by a collation. District Deputy Grand Sachem William Flouton and suite of Westfield will preside.

Quaboag council of the Royal Arcanum held a meeting Tuesday evening and the following officers were installed by District Deputy Grand Regent J. Winslow Eaton: Regent, George Bennett; vice regent, E. E. Hobson; past grand regent, George A. Rice; orator, C. H. Hobson; chaplain, Rev. W. A. Moore; guide, C. H. Babcock; warden, C. H. Keith; sentinel, F. E. Coleman; secretary, James Summers; treasurer, A. B. C. Deming Jr.; collector, R. E. Cummings; trustee, L H. Hunt; representative to grand council, R. E. Cummings; alternate, W. L. Shaw.

These officers of Revere chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, were installed last Friday evening by Miss Helen Robinson, assisted by Mrs. Emma G. Keith as marshal: Worthy matron, Miss Jennie E Brainerd; worthy patron, William H. Norton; associate matron, Mrs. Arabelle K. Ruggles; secretary, Miss Georgia A. Peirce; treasurer, Mrs. Ellen M. Barnes; conductress, Mrs. Eldene Soule; associate conductress, Mrs Susan J Lee; chaplain, Emily M. Wilhur; marshal, Mrs. Georgia A. Fuller; organist, Mrs. Jennie L. Taylor; Adah, Mrs. Addie Ezekiel; Ruth, Mrs. Mary E. Murdock; Esther, Miss Mayme Southworth; Martha, Mrs. Elvira Shaw; Electa, Mrs. Rose Castledine; warden, Mrs. Annie Tolman; sentinel, George Ezekiel. After the meeting a collation was served.

The members of Thomas lodge of Masons to the number of 70 held a most enjoyable communication on Monday evening. The work was the third degree, and was performed with past masters in nearly all the chairs—all were past masters or past officers, as follows: W. M., G. B. Kenerson; S. W., S. H. Hellyar; J. W., J. K Warren; treasurer, Horace Paine; secretary, C. E. Fish; chaplain, H. E. W. Clark; marshal, C. T. Brainerd; S. D., D. L. Bodfish; J. D, H. W. McGregory; S. S, Byram Woodhead; J. S, W. H Norton; I. S., F N. Carpenter; organist, C. B. Fiske; tyler, James Gray. The W M. was assisted in the second and third sections by S. H Hellyar, D. L. Bodfish and C. T. Brainerd. A collation was served, and there were numerous speeches, largely in a reminiscent vein.

Lost on the Ice on Lake Erie.

No landmarks can be seen There is nothing by which to direct a course. A man may easily be lost and wander until overcome. Too often this has happened, and hardly a winter has passed without some such disaster.

A man so lost will often trust to the instinct of the dogs to find a way home through the bewildering storm and gloom. Sometimes, however, even the animals have been at fault. In a recent case a fisherman with three dogs was overtaken on the homeward way by a sudden tempest of wind and snow. To see even a few feet must have been impossible, and even the dogs must have been overcome with fright or found that they were unable to guide themselves in the right direction. Still, though two were loose, they did not desert the man. When the searching parties found him on the following day he was dead, frozen to death, but the dogs with him were alive. One dog, which had not been unharnessed, was mad, however, and had to be killed at once.—George Hibbard in Harper's Magazine.

Look to Your Walk.

Look to your walk. It has more to do with your success or failure than you perhaps dream of. Don't slouch. Don't wabble. Don't shuffle. Don't strut. Walk like a man who is determined to play a man's part in life, with head erect and feet planted firmly on the ground.

One may see on the streets of a city every day many people who are walking failures. There is not the slightest energy in their movements. Their whole bearing gives testimony of their weakness. How do we know that they are failures? Nothing is simpler. There is a subtle connection between the mind and the body. The mental attitude is reflected in the spontaneous movements of the body, and you can very quickly tell by a man's walk and general bearing whether his mind is alert, his spirit progressive and earnest and his whole being full of life and vigor and determination or he is a slipshod, lazy, lifeless creature.—Success.

Saltness of the Sea.

The two great causes of a very gradual increase in the saltness of the sea are the solvent powers of water and the process of evaporation. By their solvent powers rain, rivers and springs draw salts out of the land and carry them to the sea. In evaporation the sun, as an enormous pump, is ever drawing up pure water, leaving all solids behind. On the other hand, many marine organisms, plants and animals are continually extracting mineral matter from the sea wherewith to build up the solid parts of their bodily frames. Whenever the point of saturation is reached salt is deposited, as in the salt pans of the Caspian, the Dead sea, Salt lake, Utah, and numerous beds of rock salt.

Babies on Club's Waiting List.

In what is supposed to be our swellest club the father who does not cause his masculine offspring to be posted for membership on about the day of the offspring's birth is understood to be the exception rather than the rule. There is a legend that a member once anticipated an interesting event in his family to the extent of proposing for membership a boy he was expecting and that the baby turned out to be a girl. We believe, however, that this legend has never been fully substantiated. It is nevertheless a fact, we believe, that there's a long procession of baby boys on the club's waiting list.—Boston Herald.

His Chance Coming.

Young Mother—Harry, dear, you mustn't go near the baby. Young Father—Mayn't I just look at him a minute? Young Mother—No, dear; he's asleep. I'll let you take him when he wakes up in the night.

When a man's work compels him to get up at 4 o'clock in the morning, he is in no mood to appreciate the sunrise.

OUR LEGISLATIVE LETTER.

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will doubtless defeat it in the immediate future, as it has in the past. The House has nearly always favored the direct inheritance bill, but the Senate regularly kills it.

Senator Mellen of Boston has put in once more his bill to extend the veterans' exemption law to the soldiers of the war with Spain. For every year since the Spanish war closed this bill has been put in. Representative Hagberg of Worcester, himself a soldier of the Spanish war, was the father of the bill as long as he was in the House, but it was defeated every year. Last year and year before, Mr. Mellen, then in the House, introduced it, but it has always been beaten, and has always been opposed by the veterans of the civil war, who have never taken kindly to the calling of themselves "veterans" by the young fellows of a few months' campaign, many of whom never even left the country, compared with the patriotic soldiers who fought three or more years in the far more terrible war of the rebellion. The old men think, since they waited 35 years before they asked for any favors, the young men are rather previous in asking for exemption as soon as the war is over. The bill has apparantly about the same chance this year that it has always had.

Gypsy moth matters are becoming prominent. To-day Mr. Bennett of Saugus, in the infested district, put in a resolution asking the United States representatives and senators to act favorably upon a pending appropriation bill for finding parasites of the gypsy moth caterpillar. There has been presented a strong bill creating a new commission to deal with the pest and giving it full organization with large powers. The people of the northern suburbs of Boston are desperately in earnest about the pest and something will doubtless be done this session. LANDON.

CARD—We wish to thank our friends far and near, who by their kind words and deeds, helped us bear our recent trouble.

MR AND MRS. O. LASALLE.

Palmer, Jan. 19, 1905.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Best Made.

"In my opinion Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best made for colds," says Mrs. Cora Walker of Porterville, California. There is no doubt about its being the best. No other will cure a cold so quickly. No other is so sure a preventive of pneumonia. No other is so pleasant and safe to take. These are good reasons why it should be preferred to any other. The fact is that few people are satisfied with any other after having once used this remedy For sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

NOT THE ONLY ONE.

There Are Hundreds Of Palmer People Similarly Situated.

Can there be any stronger proof offered than the evidence of Palmer residents? After you have read the following, quietly answer the question.

Mrs. George Taylor of Church street, Thorndike, Mass., two miles from Palmer, when interviewed recently, said: "Yes, I gave a testimonial to Doan's Kidney Pills some three years ago last April and all I can add to-day, is that my confidence in them has not been shaken in the least. When I commenced their use I could not turn over in bed, my back was so lame and sore. After I had taken them two days I could turn over and rest with some degree of pleasure. Besides the above symptoms I had distressing pains in my head. I got Doan's Kidney Pills at LeGro's drug store and used them and can truthfully say I never tried anything that did me half as much good."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
HAMPDEN SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer in said county, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Town House at Four Corners in said Palmer on Monday, the 30th day of January, A. D. 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m., then and there to act on the following articles viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money additional to amounts already appropriated for the support of poor and for incidental expenses connected therewith.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money additional to amounts already appropriated for teachers' salaries and for other expenses connected with the maintenance of the public schools.

ART. 4. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the current municipal year, the same to be paid from said taxes.

ART. 5. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money not to be paid from the taxes of the current municipal year.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to cover the deficit in the appropriation for a card system for the work of the assessors.

ART. 7. To choose committees and to hear and act on reports of the same.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to cover the deficit in the appropriation for the construction of the Thorndike Grammar School Building.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to adopt a by-law relative to the collection of rags and junk or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the different public places designated by the vote of the Town, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting, and cause this warrant to be printed in the Palmer Journal at least two issues before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 20th day of January, A. D. 1905.

JOHN F. TWISS, CHAS. T. BRAINERD, } Selectmen of Palmer.

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Silks Join in the January Campaign of Value Giving

Just to keep up the excitement that has been aroused by the remarkable series of bargain events with which we have opened the new year, we announce the greatest array of unusual Silk values that Springfield has known in many a day. The Silks concerned are our new spring lines, in the latest 1905 designs and colorings, and for this introductory occasion we have made prices which, because of their extreme lowness, can be continued only a few days.

Crepe de Chine, 23 inches wide, in every wanted shade—ivory, cream, white, gray, light and dark shades, mode, tan, champagne, two browns, two navies, light, medium and delft blue, mais, old rose, nile, reseda, violet, garnet and black. This is a quality usually sold for $1.25 a yard—January price **79c**

23-inch Habutai Wash Silk, in a large variety of beautiful new shades, splendid value at 58c a yard—January price **39c**

Fancy Shirtwaist Suitings, in eight combinations, all the best colorings, excellent quality, at, a yard . . . **59c**

Satin Finish Foulards, with the popular polka dots in various sizes, single and in clusters, also new small figure effects, at, a yard **59c**

Soft Finished Swiss Taffeta, in the Scotch plaid effects that are to be so much worn the coming season, at, a yard **59c**

White Habutai Silk, 23-inch width, one of the strongest of silks, firm and light, will not stretch, at, a yard **29c**

Shepherd Check Taffeta, in blue and green, and blue and black, eleven different patterns, at, a yard **49c**

Natural Color Pongee Silks, to be worn more than ever this year, excellent quality,

19-inch, a yard 49c
27-inch, a yard 59c
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Continuation of the Great Values in the Annual January Sales of Undermuslins—Cottons and Domestics—Lace Curtains—Linens—Men's Shirts and Night Shirts.

Forbes & Wallace, Springfield, Mass.

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As usual, at the close of each season's business, we will have a reduction sale to clear out our Fall and Winter Stock to make room for Spring Goods. We are determined to sell all our Winter Hats and Trimmings. Every article offered for sale is at bargain prices. We must have room and you want the goods at these prices.

Sale Commences Saturday, Jan. 21 and lasts one week only

At 20c..all our 25c and 30c Corset Covers
At 35c.....all that were 50c

Drawers.

At 20c.....were 30c
At 35c.....were 50c
At 50c.....were 75c
Joh at 25c.....were 50c, 60c and 70c

Night Gowns.

At 65c.....were 85c
At 95c.....were $1.15

Hose.

At 21c.....were 25c and 35c
At 35c.....were 50c

Children's Waists.

To close out, 15c.....were 25c

Gloves.

At 85c, Kid.....were $1.00
At 39c, Silk.....were 50c

Children's Kid Gloves.

To close out at 50c.....were $1.00

Fancy Stock Collars.

A good assortment.....25c, 35c and 50c
At 19c.....all our 25c Ties

Corsets.

At 90c....our regular R. and G. and C. B.

Shetland Floss and all yarns at cost.

Ladies' Skirts.

At 35c.....were 50c and 75c
At 50c.....were 75c and $1.00

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50 cents to clean your watch.
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Now on my second year in Palmer.

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Gamwell's Clothing Store, Palmer.

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Which will keep you warm and comfortable

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Take **Laxative Bromo Quinine** Tablets. This signature, E. W. Grove on every box. 25c.

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Write to the Cal-cura Company, Kennedy Row, Rondout, N. Y., for a free sample bottle.

Remember: Only one Dr. David Kennedy ever lived in Rondout, City of Kingston, N. Y., and be sure you get his *new* and *latest* medicine, which is sold only in $1.00 bottles.

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A LITTLE OF ALL SORTS.

Mrs. Chugwater—"Josiah, where is there such a thing as a laundry trust?" Mr. Chugwater—"Where? What do you suppose the Flatiron building in New York is for?"—Chicago Tribune.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

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A boy, passing through a car, saluted a cross old gentlemen with "Pop corn, pop corn!" "Hain't got any teeth," angrily replied the man. "Gum drops, gum drops!" persistently pursued the enterprising youth.

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"And do none of you know anything about the country?" asked the teacher, sadly. "O, yies, ma'am, I kno," said Eva Gonorowsky. "The country is the fresh air fund." "Then you've been there?" cried Miss Bailey. "Tell us about it, Eva." "No, ma'am, I ain't seen it," said Eva, proudly. "I'm healthy."—McClure's.

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Very like his dad.—M. Crapaud—"Ah! So zis ees your leetle son? He look to be similaire to you." Popley—"Yes, he's very much like me." M. Crapaud—"Ah! How do you call eet? 'A cheep of ze old blockhead,' ees eet not?"

"What are you forever kicking for a raise in salary for?" asked the first clerk. "Your getting a good salary, ain't you?" "Yes," replied the other. "Well, ain't you satisfied?" "Sure, but I don't want the boss to know it or he might cut me down."—Catholic Standard and Times.

The practical side of it—"Father, have you ready my ode 'To the Pines?'" asked the youthful poet. "No, John. I haven't," was the old man's reply. "But you just take this here ax an' cut down a few of 'em. The pines are owin' me 'bout ten cords o' wood.—Atlanta Constitution.

The sad story comes from Kansas of a farmer who lost his voice and was unable to call his hogs at feeding time. After much study he decided to teach them to come when he rapped on a board and taught them their lesson after much work. Then a woodpecker came along, lit on the side of the barn and 50 hogs ran themselves to death.

A Hartford youngster goes to church where the concluding "Amen" of the parson's prayer is sung by the choir. The other night, after he had said his prayers, he produced a harmonica from beneath his pillow and astonished his mother by blowing a blast where the "Amen" came in, remarking: "That's the way we do in church."—Hartford Post.

"Deacon Heavyweight—"And so you are going to leave us, parson?" Rev. Mr. Thankful—"Yes. I have had a call to another parish, where, by the way, the salary is considerably larger. I am sorry to leave my flock, but I must obey the call." Deacon Heavyweight (dryly)—"Waal, it may be what you call a call, but it seems to me a good deal more like a raise."

An extraordinary head of hair is possessed by Mercedes Lopez, the wife of a poor sheep herder at San Vicente, Mex. Her height is five feet, and when she stands erect her hair trails on the ground four feet eight inches. The hair is so thick that she can completely hide herself in it. She has it cut frequently, as it grows so quickly, enabling her to sell large tresses to hair dealers every three or four months.

The wife of a Methodist minister in West Virginia had been married three times. Her maiden name was Partridge. Her first husband was named Robbin, her second Sparrow and the present one's name is Quayle. There are two young Robbins, one Sparrow and three little Quayles in the family. One grandfather was a Swann and another was a Jay, but he's dead and now a bird of Paradise. They live on Hawk avenue, Eagleville, Canary Islands, and the fellow who wrote this article is a Lyre bird and an interested relative of the family.

ADAM

By KEITH GORDON

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The girl in the hammock laid her book face downward beside her, a faint, skeptical smile visible about her mouth.

"How do you go about it?" was the question that her eyes asked of the radiant landscape. "It's all very well to say that a woman, if she have not a hump upon her back, may marry whom she will, but how would she go about it?"

The scratching of a match broke the summer stillness, and her meditations were suddenly precipitated from the general to the concrete. She glanced where a man's form bulked in one of the huge wicker chairs. With his hand forming a screen he was lighting a fresh cigar, seemingly oblivious to everything in life except that and the Engineering Journal, which lay in his lap.

He was her brother's best friend, and she had known him for years, not with much satisfaction, it must be confessed, since he was notoriously a "man's man," living in a man's world and regarding the rustle of feminine skirts with something of the same feeling that he did the humming of a mosquito.

But he was good to look upon—so good that a sudden, quick resentment shot through her heart at his indifference. It assumed the likeness of a personal affront, a sort of insult to her sex. It would serve him right if some girl would just make up her mind to marry him and do it, too, before he knew what he was about.

Meanwhile he had tossed away the match and picked up the Journal again as imperturbably as if he were alone, a pair of half indignant eyes watching him with a combination of pique and amusement.

It certainly would serve *him right*, her thoughts ran on, if some lady would just wind him round and round her finger, make him fetch and carry at her beck and call, reduce him to a perfect mush of sentiment. Something in her steady gaze caused him to move uneasily, then look up.

"Did you speak?"

He had the perfunctory manner of a person who knows he must keep guard over himself or he will be guilty of some remissness. A heroic resolution to do his duty was visible in his face.

"No," she drawled, "I didn't speak. But if you don't mind very much I think I will. I'd like to ask you, for instance, if you have ever had a ladies' day?"

"A ladies' day?" he repeated helplessly, shaking off his eyeglasses with a characteristic movement, while his tormentor watched him as if he had been some sort of a specimen that she had impaled upon a pin. Then a light dawned upon him.

"You mean such as they have at the clubs—a day when the place is given up to your sex and other matters go to the wall? Well, no. I don't know that I ever have had."

"Don't you think it is time?" she ventured.

"Possibly," he admitted, but he still held the Journal in a way that suggested a well nigh unconquerable desire to return to it. She stretched out her hand. Reluctantly he handed it over.

"Did it ever occur to you," she asked blandly, "that the creature who tempted Adam so successfully, who is at the bottom of everything, as it were, must be as—as intricate as your old engineering problems?"

"I have always considered Adam weak—very weak," was his evasive answer. "Men aren't like that nowadays."

At these boastful words a resolution that had been taking form in her mind became full fledged. She was inspired with the sense of a mission. Her neglected sex should find an avenger in her.

"You think you wouldn't have eaten of the apple, then?"

There was a new note in her voice. It was at the same time a challenge and an appeal.

As if it were something absolutely new it came to his mind that girls were delicate, helpless creatures, and a wave of tenderness for the sex swept over him. Still he was very positive that he wouldn't have eaten the apple, and something in the soft, babyish, yet dependent way in which she looked at him caused him to explain at great length why.

"Has talked fifteen minutes by the clock," she was thinking in high glee, but outwardly she was all deferential, honey sweet attention.

"I'm sure he wouldn't have yielded if he'd been like you!" was her earnest comment when he finished speaking, and at the words he was conscious of a pleasant expansiveness, a caressing sense of satisfaction as delightful as it was unusual. It was as if he were growing taller, broader and more severely strong before her very eyes.

"Go back to your reading. I'm not going to bother you another minute." She jumped up and, laying her hand on his arm, finished ingenuously: "You don't mind my bothering you, do you? A girl gets so tired of woman talk! A chat like this is like a plunge in a cold stream." And she vaulted into the house and scurried to her room, where she threw a kiss to her image in the mirror, with the remark, "You're doing well for a beginner, my love."

Down on the broad piazza the man had returned to the closely printed columns before him, but after a half hour he gave up.

"I'm stale!" he murmured, throwing the paper on the table. "Wonder where's she gone? Never before realized how interesting she is—for a girl. Had I ever had a ladies' day? Umph! That was funny!" And he smiled at the recollection of it.

For the next two or three days she avoided him as much as possible.

"I must give him plenty of line," she decided craftily, "and never let him suspect that he's taken the bait."

On the third day he proposed a long tramp to her.

"You don't want a silly thing like me," she protested, with modest self depreciation. "I can't talk about bridges and buttresses and caissons and all those interesting things that you know about. I shall only bore you."

"What was it you said the other day about the creature that tempted Adam?" was his laughing reply. "Perhaps I want to take up a new line of study."

"I just made him think I was the most dependent thing that ever lived," she confided shamelessly to her mirror that night. "My timid little feet could scarcely get over the ground without help, and as for climbing fences"—

She went off into a peal of laughter as she remembered how solicitous he had been about her getting over a fence that was in their way—and she who could turn a handspring as well as either of her brothers.

"Of course I couldn't do it if I really liked him," she murmured. Then the girl in the mirror averted her face quickly. "I'm just going to give him a much needed lesson, you know," she went on. This time the girl looked into her eyes for a moment. After that she threw herself on the bed and buried a hot face in the pillows.

As the weeks went by the startling conviction that there was one girl in the world who never bored him, never made him long to escape and get back to his own kind, came to be a certainty to the man. With the coming of this knowledge the world seemed a brighter, livelier place.

The idea of marriage, which had hitherto seemed as remote as that of suicide, came and lodged within his brain as if it were an old friend. He thought, with some scorn, of his former views.

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They were standing under the big apple tree in the back garden. From the ground she picked up one of the round, smooth apples and began to eat it. Something in the action brought back to him the conversation they once had about Adam, and he wondered how he could ever have been so cross, so dense. He held out his hand.

"Please, Eve," he beseeched.

"But you are not like Adam," she began archly.

"No," he said meaningly. "He waited for temptation. I—don't intend to wait!"

And that night she whispered to the girl in the mirror, "What Thackeray says is true!"

To Fill Up Her Time.

The family who had lived for ten years in the small house owned by old lady Crocker had moved away. She asked her agent to secure some quiet and desirable tenants for the property as soon as possible.

The agent advertised and within a few days had a call from a man, who asked numerous questions about the house.

"*There are seven* good sized rooms," said the agent, "and an excellent cellar. How many are there in your family?"

"My wife and myself and twelve children," said the man.

"Ah," said the agent, "I'm afraid that would hardly do, as Mrs. Crocker is old and something of an invalid and lives next door. She is not particularly fond of children."

"Well," and the man looked indignant, "I shouldn't think she'd mind; there are only five little ones."

But the agent shook his head.

"It's all right anyway," said the man, with a quick change of base. "I don't believe there's land enough around that house, and it's too near the city. What I really want is a place farther out, with an acre or so of ground and a barn and a chance to keep a cow and chickens and room to grow some vegetables, so my wife will have something to take up her spare time."—Youth's Companion.

The Bug View.

Bug—Now I know why men swear when they drop a collar button. It must drop on their toes.—New York Evening Journal.

A Timely Suggestion.

"Are you reading 'Home Hints,' ma?"

"Yes."

"Turn to page 41, then, 'cause that tells how to take ink spots out of the carpet."

The Real Thing.

"Looking for work? Why, I advertised for an all round man."

"Reckin dat's whad I am, boss. I shuah ben all roun' town lookin' fo' a job."—Leslie's Weekly.

The Old Story.

Young Wife—Oh, Henry, isn't baby just the brightest child in the world?

Hubby—I guess so. But he's not so bright as the one mother used to have.

A FEMALE SKIPPER

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We were a crew of twelve men in the brig Neptune, bound from Liverpool to Charleston, and Captain Doyle was married and brought his wife on board on the day of our sailing. He was an easy going man, and from the hour of her coming aboard she took matters into her own hands. After we had sailed she was all over the ship, giving orders here and there and demanding obedience, and it wasn't a day before everything was at loose ends and the brig in nobody's charge. She had never been to sea, but she announced that she was boss and would have things as she wished, and the week that we put in before anybody dared head a mutiny was a strange episode in a sailor's life.

We were eight days out when the climax came. Every man of us went aft and demanded of the captain that his wife be suppressed. He certainly realized that everything was at loose ends and that never had a peaceful ship had greater confusion aboard, but he had no promises to make. He was as clay in the woman's hands. When we had stated our case she let fly her temper, and of all the tongues possessed by women hers wagged the fastest and poured forth the most bitterness. She even went so far as to bring the captain's pistols from the cabin and beg him to shoot us down.

What we finally did, though the woman threatened us with a revolver every minute, was to lower away the longboat, stock her with water and provisions and abandon the craft. The mates and the steward refused to leave the brig, and if the weather held pleasant the four men left could work her into port or hold on until some passing craft lent them aid.

Twelve hours after our leaving the ship and heading for the Azores a gale came down on us from the south, and we had to turn and run before it. At daylight next morning we found ourselves within a mile of the Neptune. Short handed as she was, she had been obliged to run before the same gale, and she had lost a topmast and been otherwise banged about. As soon as she made us out we were signaled to close in and come aboard, and in the course of half an hour we found ourselves on her decks again. The captain met us more than halfway, saying that his wife should have no more to say and that he would not enter the incident in his log book, and, though the woman was on deck with him, she had nothing to say, good or bad.

We turned to after breakfast and got things shipshape and put the brig on her course. For three days we made fine runs and everything went well aboard. On the morning of the fourth day, however, the captain's wife broke loose again. She gave her husband a long and vigorous blessing and then turned on the mates, and before she got through every one on board had come in for a bit of her tongue. Her language to the first mate was resented, and what did she do but bring out a pistol and fire a bullet into his leg.

It was mutiny over again. When we saw that things were worse than before and that there was no hope for betterment we took to the longboat again. The second mate and steward were with us this time, and the chief officer would have been but for his wound. We got a piping gale from the east and went drifting off before it. Our drift continued for over fifty hours, and at times we gave up all hope, but the gale broke at last, the sea went down, and after a run of four hours what craft should we fall in with but the brig we had twice abandoned. We ran down to her, scarcely able to believe our eyes, and walking her quarter deck as coolly as if nothing had happened was the same termagant of a woman. As the captain was not in sight we lay off and on, not seeing our way clear, but presently the woman came to the rail and called:

"Get aboard here, you villains, and get to work! The captain is ill and the mate laid up with that bullet I gave him, and, though I'm a determined woman, I cannot sail this brig to Charleston by myself."

The sea looked mighty wide and the brig very inviting, and the result was that we tumbled aboard. We got the brig on her course, cleared up the decks, and then came the question of what was to happen when we had sailed her into port. We had twice been guilty of mutiny and abandonment, and no matter what excuses we might urge the lawyers and the courts might get us into a pretty pickle unless we had some guarantee in advance.

A messenger was sent to the captain, but the conduct of his wife had not only worried him into a fever, but in one of her ebullitions of temper she had assaulted him and inflicted such injuries that he was ashamed to appear on deck. He was ready to promise us immunity, but she would not let him settle the matter. She declared that she would prosecute the case to the last court and that none of us should escape prison, and after talking the matter over we decided to take to the longboat for the third time. When this decision was told her she replied:

"You villains deserve hanging, but when we reach Charleston I'll pay you off, and you can go where you will. That's all. Go to work."

We took her at her word and sailed the brig into port, and though she thirsted for revenge she did not prosecute. Two weeks later the Neptune set sail on her return voyage, having a new crew all around and the captain's wife continuing to be boss, and from that day to this the craft has not been heard of. Whatever her fate was, it was surely brought about by the greatest termagant that ever drew breath on land or sea. M. QUAD.

An Inheritance of Gestures.

A young man in crossing Chestnut street stumbled and immediately put his hand, palm outward, over his eyes.

"Why did you cover your eyes like that?" asked his companion.

"The gesture is an inheritance from my father," the young man replied. "My father in his boyhood was caught in a fire, and as the flames shot up into his face he put his left hand, palm outward, over his eyes, thus saving his sight. Afterward he would put his hand in that way over his eyes whenever he got any sudden shock or fright. I have done the same thing involuntarily all my life.

"Cases like mine are not uncommon," continued the young man. "There is a woman in Washington who never puts her right hand up to her head. Her mother broke her right arm early in life and couldn't raise it thereafter above her shoulder. The daughter can raise her own right arm, but she never does.

"A biologist had a goat that he kept chained to a pole. The chain galled the goat's left fore leg, and she limped on this leg slightly, so as to ease the chain's rubbing. In time she became a mother, and her offspring limped on its left fore leg all its life."—Baltimore Herald.

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WEST WARREN.

Rev Phillas Trottier spent a part of last week with his mother in St. Albans, Vt.

Miss Ada Crouch of Holyoke is the guest of her brother, Charles W. Crouch, on Crouch road.

Albert Seigel, who is employed in the picker-room in the No 2 mill, had his right arm caught in a machine Monday and both bones of his right forearm were fractured.

John Belair, who was employed in the picker-room of the No. 1 mill, had his left hand caught in a picker machine last Friday afternoon and it was badly lacerated. It is feared that it may be necessary to amputate the thumb of his left hand.

Thomas McKeon, who was at work on the pond off South street Monday helping to cut ice for George Bliss, had a narrow escape from drowning. He stepped on a loose cake of ice and fell into the pond where it was about 10 feet deep. By the quick work of the men who were employed with him McKeon was rescued.

Postmaster George Bliss has received orders to send all western and southern mail in the office after the departure of train No. 7, which mail leaves the office at 10 20 a. m., on train No. 6 going east at 11 45, for which the mail leaves the office at 11.30. Mail sent on this train for the west will be transferred at Worcester to the New York express which arrives in Springfield at 2 18 Previous to this new arrangement the next mail going west after the 10 20 a. m. did not leave the office till 4.35 p. m.

Miss Mary Broderick, 34, died at her home on South street Tuesday afternoon, after a three days' illness of cerebro spinal meningitis. Miss Broderick was employed as a weaver in the No. 1 mill weave room of the cotton mills, and complained of not feeling well last week. Sunday afternoon she lapsed into an unconscious state and so remained until her death. She was a native of Ware and had spent most of her life in West Warren. She is survived by her mother and two sisters, Miss Theresa, at home, and Mrs. Hugh Gormly of Ware. The funeral was held in St. Thomas's church yesterday morning and burial was in Ware.

BELCHERTOWN.

Miss Maud Bridgman has been spending the week in Boston.

Miss Nellie B. Camp of Winsted, Ct, spent the latter part of last week with Mrs. Alice L Kendall.

Charles L Randall lost two valuable horses Monday. His youngest son, Arthur, was getting ice on the pond near West Ware, when one of the horses apparently became frightened and after almost pulling Arthur into the water, drew the other horse and the front boh of the sled in Every effort was made by those who were on the pond to save the animals, but it was impossible and both were drowned.

A meeting of the Holland club was held Monday evening with Miss E. A. Blackmer. Interesting articles were read by Mrs. M. D S. Longley, Mrs Edmund Thompson and Mrs. Nettie Shaw Allen, all pertaining to the topic of the evening, "Nature Study." Mrs E H. Dyer read an interesting paper on "Bird studies" The club voted to place the stamp system of savings in the schools, leaving the matter entirely in the hands of the present committee, Mrs. M. D. S. Longley, Mrs. Arthur Bridgman and Mrs. Alice L. Kendall. Mrs. Charles H. Snow was added to the list of members of the club.

News has been received in town of the death in Bernica, Cal, December 24 h, of Mrs. Susan Atwood McDonell, a native of Belchertown. Mrs. McDonell spent all of her early life in Belchertown, where she contributed largely to its social and musical element. After her marriage to Archibald McDouell of Bernica, Cal, she went there to live and had since remained there. She is survived by seven children; also two sisters and three brothers, F. W. Atwood of Laconia, N H, E. H. Atwood of Springfield, Lewis Atwood of Bernice, Cal., Mrs. M. J. Leach and Mrs. Lewis McLaughlin of Stafford Springs, Ct.

The Masonic installation Wednesday evening was one of the most impressive ever held in town and was largely attended. The following officers were installed by Past Master W. E. Bridgman, assisted by William Douglas of Greenwich as marshal: W. M, J. W. Jackson; S. W., G. C. Allen; J W., W. S Chamberlin; treasurer, Arthur Bridgman: secretary, H. A. Hopkins; chaplain, S. W. Perry; M, F. D Walker; S D, A. F Warren; J D., Myron Ward; S S, Thomas Dewey; J. S., L. L. Smichd; organist, Roswell Allen; J. S., A. L. Pratt; T., Guy C. Allen. A quartet, composed of Misses Fisher and Fletcher and Messrs. Washburn and Conkey, furnished music during the evening. Mrs. Nettie Shaw Allen gave a recitation, which was responded to by G. C Allen Jr. A collation was served in the dining hall.

Cured His Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years from rheumatism," says W. H Howard of Husband, Pennsylvania. "At times she was unable to move at all, while at all times walking was painful I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she decided it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact, she is never without it now and is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keeps away the pain that she was formerly troubled with." For sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

WARE.

Was Badly Injured.

Louis Berthianme, a teamster employed by George C. Wesson, was badly injured at the corner of North and Prospect streets yesterday morning. He was driving with a sled loaded with 2000 feet of lumber, when it slewed at the corner where the grade is bad, and the sled tipped over. Berthianme was thrown off and the lumber piled upon him. Two men standing nearby saw the accident and hurrying to the scene, extricated the unfortunate teamster. He was carried to Mr. Wesson's house nearby and Dr. Dionne summoned. Nothing but bad bruises were at first discovered, but internal injuries may develop. He was moved later in the morning to his home on Otis avenue.

G. W. Cox, superintendent of schools, will address the Social Science Club in the high school hall to-morrow afternoon at 3.30 on the subject, "Education for the masses".

Mrs. Joseph Chenette, 50, died suddenly at her home on Vigeant street, Saturday afternoon from apoplexy. She leaves a husband, three sons, Elzire of Indian Orchard and William and Henry, and three daughters, all of Ware.

Miss Mary Jane O'Neil, 41, died Saturday morning after a month's illness of Bright's disease. She leaves her parents, Mr. and Mrs James O'Neil of West Main street, and two brothers, James E of Ware and Frank C. of West Brookfield. The funeral was held in All Saints' church Monday morning.

At a meeting of the Ware Golf Club Tuesday evening, it was decided to hold another fair along the line of the one held last year, but that it be held after Easter instead of next month. The exact date was not decided upon, but will probably be held either the last week in April or the first in May The fair will continue three nights.

Postmaster P R. Bridgman has received notification that an examination of applicants for the position of rural mail carrier on route No 2, as it will be called, will be *held in the district court at 9 30 a. m. next* week Saturday. This is the first assurance Mr. Bridgman has received that the route is to be established. About 100 families, residing on farms located north of Ware along the line of the Greenwich and Dana roads, will be served by the new route.

Joseph LaBell, 84, died at his home in the west part of Hardwick Monday. He was an old soldier and a member of J. W. Lawton Grand Army post. He had resided in Hardwick for the last 20 years. Mr. LaBell is survived by a widow, and a son in Boston; also several grandchildren, who reside with him The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon, Rev. John L Wriston of Ware officiating, and the body was taken to Stoneham yesterday morning for burial.

Attorney G. D. Storrs has filed a petition in behalf of Andrew G. Crowley, formerly a clothing dealer in the Blood block, to place him in bankruptcy, with liabilities given as $9600 and assets of $2250. The largest creditors are Ware parties, for whose benefit Mr Crowley made an assignment a few months ago to Attorney J. H. Schoonmaker. The stock of goods was sold at that time, but the dividend accruing therefrom has not yet been declared. When the settlement is finally made it is not expected that the creditors will receive 15 per cent.

Word has been received by Patrick Boyd of Water street of the death of Patrick Gargan, 48, in Lynn at 1.30 Saturday afternoon. Mr. Gargan came to this country in 1881 and lived in Ware a number of years with Mr. Boyd. He worked in the mills and later in the electric light station, was sexton of St. William's church and connected with the reading room. While in Ware Mr. Gargan wrote Sunday letters for the Boston Globe and was correspondent for other papers. In Lynn he was employed on the staff of the Lynn Item. The funeral was held Tuesday morning in Lynn.

J G Lincoln, clerk of the district court, has completed his report of the receipts and expenditures during the past year, and it has been forwarded to the controller of county accounts. The receipts show $20 for the state in violation of the fish and game laws; $621 from defendants for account of towns, all of which was credited to Ware; $16 received for the benefit of beneficiaries; from naturalization fees, $169; from the sale of writs, entries in civil cases and other civil fees, $41.65; and from depositors as surety, $2510. The amount paid in witness fees amounted to $160 45 and the amount of officers' fees certified to was $358.

The town hall, upon which extensive improvements have recently been made, was inspected yesterday by F. W. Merriam, state inspector of public buildings, and he expressed complete satisfaction with the work already done, but pointed out the remaining requirements that must be complied with. Four new emergency electric lights will be placed at the new exits, and illuminated signs marked "Exit" all to be controlled by a new and independent switch located at the rear of the building and operated by the chief usher. The matter of fire extinguishers was settled upon, and the town will provide two three-gallon and one five-gallon tanks, as they may be called, which are to be placed in the gallery and ante-rooms, in addition to those already placed behind the stage and at the other end of the building.

A petition signed by the officials of the district court and a number of representative men of the town has been forwarded to J. W. Flint, representative of the 30th Hampshire district, asking that the district court of Eastern Hampshire be included by amendment in Class H of section 1, chapter 453 of last year's Acts, and thus classified with the other courts of the state on the basis of the population in its judicial district. The court located in Ware, which serves that town, Enfield, Greenwich and Prescott, has at present no standing with the other courts in the state, but with the two courts in Franklin county is placed under section 2 and the salaries of its officials fixed at an arbitrary figure without regard to the population in its district The salary of the justice in the district court is at present only $1000, and of the clerk $600, while if the court should be included under the provisions of section 1, as petitioned, the salary of the justice would be fixed at $1200 and of the clerk at $720.

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The Brookfield Medical Club met at the Hotel Ramsdell Wednesday afternoon as guests of Dr Charles A Deland, who read a paper on "Diphtheria."

Michal Fuigal of New York City and Miss Karolina Cuipka of Warren were married Monday morning in St Pau's church by Rev John McCaughan.

Pardon P Allen, 81, one of Warren's oldest residents, died at his home on the Fiskdale road Wednesday after about a week's illness. He leaves a widow, one son, Harry T, and a daughter, Mrs H D. Tenny of Chagrin Falls, O

The body of Mrs. Lydia A. Pratt, 56, who died in Hartford, Ct, Tuesday, was brought here for burial yesterday and services were held in the Methodist church at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Pratt was a sister of John G. Leach and Mrs Arthur Anoney of Warren.

At a regular meeting of the Warren Division of Hibernians Monday evening, the following officers were installed: P, William Keough; V. P, Henry J Byron; C, Rev. John McCaughan; T., Frank H Linnehan; F. S, William F Duncan; R S., G N. King; S., Thomas McGonn; S H, John Sweeney.

The officers of Warren lodge of the American Benefit Society were installed in Brigham's hall on Thursday evening of last week. The officers are: President, John M Drake; vice president, Kate Woodard; secretary, William F. Taylor; collector, Albert Woodard; treasurer, Frank P Warren; chaplain, Lucy J Drake; M., George Coolidge; W, Henry L. Gendron; S, Henry A. Perty.

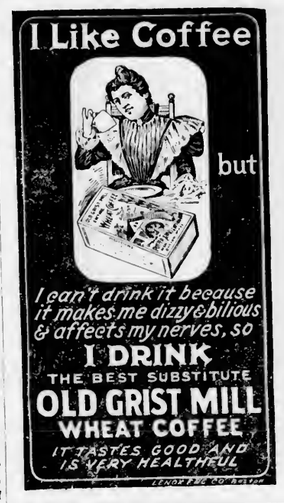
The annual meeting of the Mattawampee Club was held recently and the following officers elected: President, George H. Burbank; vice president, Homer Tupper; treasurer, George E Tarbell; secretary, Harry E Reed; directors, Lewis W Peirce, A. F. Adams, Carl M. Blair; entertainment committee, Russell Gold, Lewis Hobbs and George W Bennett. The report of the treasurer showed the club to be in good financial standing.

The annual meeting of the Congregational church society was held in the chapel on Thursday evening of last week. The following officers were chosen: Clerk and treasurer, Eugene F. Wood; deacon for four years, William E Patrick; prudential committee, Charles A. Deland, Mrs. William B Oleson and Miss Edith W. Chadsey, with the pastor, deacons, superintendent of Sunday school and president of Christian Endeavor Society; auditing committee, Charles H Walker, Frank E Gleason and Joseph G Hastings. The treasurer's report showed the total contributions for benevolences the past year amounted to about $1200.

The annual meeting of the Warren public library corporation was held in the library hall Monday evening and the following officers were elected: Treasurer, Edward Fairbanks; clerk, Joseph G Hastings; librarian, Joseph G. Hastings; directors, O H Adams, Miss Edith W Chadsey, Dr. C. A. Deland, Joseph G. Hastings, Miss Julia F. Hitchcock; purchasing committee, O H. Adams, George A Shumway, Miss Mary C. Burbank, Miss Edith W. Chadsey, Miss Mary S Hitchcock. It was voted to ask the town for the revenue derived from the dog tax and $400. After the meeting the directors met and elected Wilson H Fairbank president of the corporation.

The February "Smart Set."

Readers of The Smart Set have learned to look upon the complete novel that appears in each issue of that magazine as the biggest event of the month in fiction; but even the most enthusiastic reader will be happily surprised by the story in the February number. "The Eavesdroppers," by Arthur Stringer, will prove one of the sensations of the year. The story deals with the careers of two daring criminals—a man and a woman—whose astonishing adventures the reader follows with breathless interest. There are sixteen short stories in this number, each excellent in its own way. Caroline Duer's "The Duty of the Beast" is a tale almost equal to the finest thing Edith Wharton has done; Owen Oliver's "The God of Our Father" contains a thrill for the lovers of all that is startling and dramatic in fiction; Vincent Harper's "Stuff o' Dreams" is an exquisite idyll of the South Seas; Ethel Sigsbee Small's "Tasters at Fame" is one of the best examples in the field of "child stories for grown-ups"; Elliot Flower's "A Pass to Paradise" is delightful in its mingled humor and romance; while Margery William's "The House by the Way" is a pathetic and beautifully told tale. Besides these stories there are others of equal merit. The poetry of this issue is of more than usual value, and is contributed by Florence Wilkinson, Joaquin Miller, Dora Reed Goodale, Madeline Bridges, Clinton Dangerfield, John Arbuthnott, Richard Kirk, Leah Durand and Clinton Scollard.



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The Coming Out.

The Housemaid—There'll be grand doin's over to Mrs. Cashley's nixt wake. Her eldest daughter is comin' out. The Cook—Faith, that remoinds me. Casey's son ought to be comin' out soon. He's bin in over a year.—Judge.

Personal.

Jiggs—Every time I go along this road at night I am startled by the apparition of a jackass. Jaggs—You ain't the only man that gets frightened at his own shadow.—Chicago Journal.

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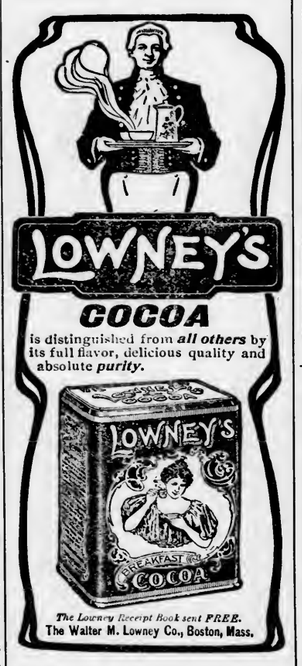

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The certainty that the town at its next annual town meeting will be called upon to provide in some way for additional accommodations for the high school has been productive of much comment. Until within a few days it was supposed that there would be no other proposition than to build an addition to the present building, but recently there seems to have sprung up a somewhat extensive and well-defined sentiment that now is a good time for the town, in the interests of economy in the long run and good business judgment, to erect a high school building which shall comfortably and serviceablyand adaquately provide for the needs of its high school, a thing which the present building has never done—no, not at any time since the first day of its occupancy.

The friends of the new building project call attention to these facts, and they have made out a strong and plausible case. The present high school building is located on a lot bounded on three sides by streets. In only one direction is it possible to build an addition, toward the rear, and an addition such as would provide the necessary room would extend to within 10 feet of the street line. After completion there would be extreme doubt of sufficient light in some of the present rooms, and a certainty of insufficient accommodation in certain departments, notably the chemical laboratory. An addition sufficiently large to accommodate the present school and the natural growth of the next few years would cost $15 000, and even then the building would not be fully desirable in many ways. This addition would, it is estimated from the natural growth of the school for the past years, be too small in 15 years and the whole building would then have to be abandoned and a new one built.

It is the contention of those who have given the matter careful thought that it will be better and more economical to provide now for a century to come rather than for only 15 years. This could easily be accomplished by having plans for a sectional building drawn and building now for 20 years in the future, leaving the rest to be added as necessity required. This has been done in many places with the best of satisfaction. Such a method provides accommodations as fast as they are needed, while obviating the expense of maintaining a larger building than is needed for immediate use. The plans are so drawn that the different sections present a finished and pleasing appearance architecturally, as well as being planned with special reference to enlargement, the usual method, it is understood, being to have plans for the whole structure prepared, then build as much as is deemed necessary. A building suitable for the Palmer high school for 20 years, providing ample accommodations in every department—assembly hall, recitation rooms, chemical laboratory, etc.,—can, it is firmly believed, be constructed and equipped for $40,000, including land and building, this estimate being based on the recent grammar school building in this village, which cost $33,000 to build and equip. This would entail an expense on the town of $2000 a year for 20 years, with interest, the suggestion being to bond the town for the debt. As the cost of an addition to the present building would cost $1500 a year for 15 years, and interest, it is suggested that for the slight increase in expense we would be making an immense saving, for under the latter plan at the end of 15 years we should have a new building to construct just the same.

But with the adoption of the new high school building plan what of the present building? Is it to be abandoned? Not by any means. Convert it into a town hall. The removal of a few partitions on the second floor would provide a room amply large for the holding of town meetings, which could also be made a source of revenue to the town by rental, there being a demand for a hall larger than Memorial Hall and smaller than the opera house. On the lower floor can be accommodated all the town officers, each department with separate quarters of its own, storage for its records, etc. The lockup and court room could also find space within its walls, the rent for which is paid by the county. The hall would provide a place for the holding of political caucuses, conventions, and numerous gatherings of a public nature. The building is admirably adapted for conversion of this sort, and would provide quarters under one roof for all the town officials, whereas now they are scattered in almost as many places as there are offices.

It is believed that the entire proposition—including the changes in the present building necessary to make it suitable for town use—can be obtained at a cost not exceeding $45,000. It is an opportunity which seldom presents itself—that of a town's being able to secure a modern high school building and a town hall, two separate buildings — for $45,000, and many thoughtful citizens who have had the matter presented to them are inclined to think very favorably of it.

Tame Boxing Bouts at Ware.

The second meeting of the Ware athletic club was held in the town hall Tuesday evening. There were two bouts, both of which were short and ended in the second rounds in unexpected ways. "Kid" Lacoste of Ware, a 16-years-old son of Edward Lacoste, proved a juvenile wonder by knocking "Jack" Doyle of New York completely out before the second round was half over. The second bout proved a disappointment, for after one round of sparring for openings, Pocahontas, the colored fighter of Boston, who has won so many decisions, deliberately quit in the second round His opponent, "Larry" Connelly of South Boston, was taller and had more reach than Pocahontas, but the latter landed twice hard on the face in the first round, and could have put up a stiff fight had he wished to. There had been some disagreement over the appearance of Pocahontas, which had been fixed up to his satisfaction early in the evening, so that this fizzle was all the more disgusting to the spectators. Pocahontas had been pushed about a good deal, but no blow of any weight had reached him when he suddenly gave up by going down under a light shove. Afterwards in his dressing room the negro claimed that he had been put out by a blow below the belt, which the referee failed to see from where he stood, and the general opinion credited Donnelly, who has proved a satisfactory referee whenever in Ware.

ILLEGAL KEEPING OF GAME.

Cold Storage Companies Fined for Having It in Their Possession.

The decisions rendered by the courts during the past week regarding cold storage houses keeping game in the closed season have been of unusual interest, and the precedent established makes it an offense under existing laws. The cases referred to are those of the John P. Squire Co. of Worcester and the Eastern States Refrigerating Co. of Springfield, which have recently been before the court in their respective cities.

Complaint was made to the deputies of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Commission that persons were holding game partridge and woodcock in possession in the closed season and contrary to the statutes of the state. As a result Deputy J. F. Luman of Palmer, together with Deputies Putnam of Spencer, Shea of Ware, Messrs of Hardwick, Bourne of Hyde Park and Killion of Boston visited the John P. Squire Co's. and Eastern States Refrigerating Co's. plants at Worcester and Springfield and seized a large number of partridge and woodcock. The outcome was that the former concern was fined $40 and the latter $60.

The seizure was the first of the kind made in Massachusetts and the result was watched with much interest by cold storage concerns, marketmen and even hotels and restaurants. Heretofore the deputies have been unable to search suspected places, but a new right of search law enacted at last year's session of the Legislature gives them the right to apply for a warrant and to search and remove the birds or game or parts thereof which may be found. Under the new law a warrant can be secured to search any boat, box, crate, car package locker, and any building excepting a dwelling where there is reason to believe any game or fish taken or held in violation of law is to be found.

DOGS CHASING DEER.

Owners Liable to Heavy Penalty if They Are Found.

Persons residing in the vicinity of West Brimfield have reported seeing dogs chasing deer at that place on Saturday last. The deer when seen was very closely followed by a dark-colored hound, which was driving the animal from the direction of Fosket's Mills. The deer to all appearance was nearly fagged out, and as the ground was covered with ice it had a hard time trying to keep in the lead, and when last seen was going in the direction of Fenton Mountain with the hound only a short distance behind. The case was reported to Deputy Luman of Palmer, who made an investigation of the case on Monday, but up to this writing has not been able to find the owner of the hound. The running of deer by dogs has been reported in some sections of this town as a common occurrence. Dogs were recently seen chasing deer at Gibbs Crossing and near Brown's Pond. Owners of dogs would do well to see that their dogs are not allowed to run deer, for if they are found doing so the owner or keeper is liable to a $20 fine. The law governing the case reads as follows: "The owner or keeper of a dog found chasing or hunting deer at any time shall be punished by a fine of twenty dollars. Any person may kill a dog found chasing or hunting deer at any time, if the dog is used for such purpose with the knowledge and consent of his owner or keeper, and the owner or keeper of such dog shall be punished by a fine of fifty dollars."

BASKETBALL.

Chicopee High 40, Monson Academy 30.

The Monson Academy basketball team lost their second game this season in the Holmes gymnasium in Monson Saturday, being defeated by the Chicopee high school team, 40 to 30. Monson's team was in poor condition as neither English nor Graves could play. It was an interesting game and several times the score was tied. In the last five minutes Chicopee did some excellent work and widened the score by 10 points. Briggs and Faulkner did some excellent work for Monson, securing 26 of the 30 points. Hale and Nesbitte excelled for the visitors. The summary:

Chicopee High.	Monson Academy
Fitzpatrick, l f,	r g, Norcross
White, r f,	l g, Rourke
Devoin, Hale, c,	c, Briggs
Nesbitte, l g,	r f, Hynes
Hale, Devion, r g,	l f, Faulkner

Chicopee 40, Monson Academy 30. Goals from field, Faulkner 4, Hynes 2, Briggs 7, Fitzpatrick 4, *Devoin, Hale 9, Nesbitte 5. Goals from fouls,* Faulkner 2, Briggs 2, Hale 2. Referee, R. S. Stebbins. Timer, E. Hanley. Scorer, N. Neville. Time, 20-minute halves. Attendance, 200.

Holyoke 13, Ware 11.

The Ware team lost its first game in the Ware town hall Saturday night by the close score of 13 to 11. The St. Jeromes of Holyoke put up a fast, clever game, and led by a small margin through the second half. The first half ended in Ware's favor, 6 to 5. The score:

St. Jeromes.	Ware.
Boggo, l f	r g, Rogers
Connor, Shea, r f	l g, M. Buckley
Harding, c	c, Riley
Hanifan, l g	r g, Harrington
Connell, r g	l f, Roach

Score, St. Jeromes 13, Ware 11. Goals from field, Harding 2, Boggo 2, Shea, Riley 2, Harrington. Goals from fouls, Riley 5, Harding, Connell, Shea. Fouls, Boggo 7, Hanifan 4, Connell, Shea, Harding, Riley 5, Harrington 5, Roach 2, Buckley. Referee, John Connor. Time, 20-minute halves.

Death of Former Palmer Resident.

Mrs. Mary J. Cross, widow of the late William W. Cross, a former business man of Palmer, died at her home in Brockton, last Saturday after a short illness. Mrs. Cross was born in Wareham, Mass., March 24, 1835, and was the daughter of the late Lewis Bartlett, a prominent iron manufacturer of that town. She attended the schools of her native town, and possessing a happy and bouyant disposition made many friends. In 1855 she was united in marriage to William W. Cross, a native of North Bridgewater, then a merchant in Wareham. A few years previous to the war they removed to Palmer, Mr. Cross engaging in business in the well known Cross block on Main street. Here they remained ten years, and were identified with the social and business life of the village. Mrs. Cross, while primarily a keeper at home and bound by ties of love and devotion to her own household, made many friends in Palmer and was much loved for her genial and kindly manner toward all whom she met. In 1869 Mr. and Mrs. Cross removed to Brockton, where they have since resided. Since the death of her husband seven years ago Mrs. Cross has lived quietly at her home, tenderly cared for by her son, William B. Cross, who survives her. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at her late residence on Green street, Rev. Dr. A. W. Archibald, pastor of the Porter church, which Mrs. Cross attended, officiating. The presence of lifelong friends and the fragrant though silent witness of a profusion of beautiful flowers testified more eloquently than words that the quiet helpful life now ended had not been lived in vain. The memory of this true friend and mother will ever remain a precious legacy to those who knew her best.

THE WORST SINCE 1888.

Storm of Wednesday Approximates Famous Blizzard.

HEAVY SNOWFALL AND A HIGH WIND.

Roads Badly Drifted, Trains Many Hours Late, and All Business Suspended.

The storm of Tuesday night and Wednesday, while not approaching in severity the famous blizzard of 1888, was the worst of its kind since that date, and will pass as amply sufficient to demonstrate that the far-famed New England weather is not wholly a thing of the past.

The snow began falling about 11 o'clock Tuesday night, and gave at that time no indication of a long or severe storm. It increased in volume however until at daylight there was perhaps six inches. It was extremely light and gathered rapidly all through the day until about four or five in the afternoon. The depth of the fall is hard to estimate on account of the wind, but there must be from 14 to 18 inches in the woods. Accompanying the snow was a brisk northwest wind which did all sorts of things to the snow, the highways and the electric and steam roads. The roads were badly drifted and teams found it almost impossible to get through Wednesday, and the condition was still worse Wednesday afternoon and yesterday morning. There were enormous drifts in many places which required the vigorous use of shovels before it was safe to attempt to drive horses through them. The milkmen had an unusually trying time yesterday morning; they are the first over the roads after a storm and found much difficulty in getting through, even with double teams in some instances. Superintendent of Streets Brainerd had teams and men at work breaking out roads all day yesterday, and found plenty of work.

The steam roads began to feel the effects of the storm early Wednesday. It extended over the whole of New York state, Pennsylvania and farther west, and trains from that section began to run late Wednesday morning. They kept getting farther and farther behind time as the day proceeded, until they ran on a hit-and-miss plan so far as following the usual order was concerned. Some trains on the Boston and Albany were six hours or more behind schedule time. There were no trains west through Palmer between 1 and 7 Wednesday afternoon although the operating schedule of the road calls for seven. Camp's train, which leaves Palmer at 6 10 in the morning and is due here again at 6.30 at night got in about 5 yesterday morning, and the milk train from Boston, due about 4 30 p. m., came in at 8 yesterday forenoon. The 7 42 a. m. train from Boston, bringing mail and the Boston papers, reached Palmer about 12.20 yesterday. Freight trains, with the exception of a few cars of live stock and perishable goods, were discontinued, and it will very likely be several days before this branch of the service is resumed fully. The Ware River road fared pretty well Wednesday, trains being only about 30 minutes late. The Central Vermont trains ran only about an hour late, and Wednesday night five trains of freight came in from the north. The storm was reported to be of much greater severity east of Palmer, with more snow and higher wind in the vicinity of Worcester and Boston, and yesterday there was much trouble from the drifting snow.

The Springfield and Eastern Street Railway Company handled the storm with its usual promptness and had all its lines in operation Wednesday morning and all through the day, running very nearly on schedule time. A couple of trips were lost on the Ware line yesterday afternoon, due to the breaking down of the small snow-plow, but that was the most serious delay. The snow plows were started out at 2 o'clock Wednesday morning and kept running until 6 last evening, when the wind stopped blowing and there was no more need of their service. The crews manning the plows were on duty for 40 hours continuously; it was cold hard work, but they kept the lines open.

There was naturally little business about town Wednesday. The store and market teams did very little, and there were few people on the streets unless they were compelled by some necessity to face the storm. The no-school signal was rung in the morning and for the afternoon session, and again yesterday morning, the afternoon session being held, though with small attendance.

The rural mail carriers have had a hard time. No attempt was made to deliver on route No. 1, toward West Brimfield, on Wednesday, and yesterday West Brimfield was reached, but beyond that point it was impossible to go. On route No. 2, toward Monson, a part of the trip was made on Wednesday, but yesterday little could be done. No mail has been received from Wales and Brimfield since Tuesday afternoon. The carrier started for Brimfield Wednesday morning but has not been heard from since.

ELECTRIC ROAD CLOSED.

Receiver for Hampshire and Worcester Decides Not to Run Cars.

George S. Taft, receiver for the Hampshire and Worcester street railway company, on Wednesday filed in the Worcester county superior court a petition asking the court to pass a decree closing the road. In addition to this he asks to be allowed to borrow enough money to pay the expenses of running the road since the beginning of the receivership last week, and also any expenses which may be incurred before the road is sold. A conference between the stockholders, the bondholders and the receiver was held in Boston and it was decided that it was better to close the road than to run it at a loss; hence the petition. The matter will be brought before the court and it is probable that the motion will be allowed, as no opposition is expected. Up to the present time the receiver has received no definite offer. The receiver originally asked to be allowed to borrow $10,000, but this amount has been cut down to about $2000.

D E. Pepin, who has acted as superintendent of the Hampshire and Worcester electric road since it first began operations, received word Wednesday night from Mr. Taft to the effect that the cars which were stopped from running by the storm were not to start again as the operating of the road was to be discontinued. All help except a watchman will be dispensed with, and the water drawn out of the boilers at the power house and the plant closed.

H. A. Northrop started filling the mammoth refrigerator of Armour & Co. Tuesday, but had the job only partially completed when the storm of Wednesday compelled him to suspend operations.

HAMPDEN COUNTY DOG TAX.

Amount Paid in by the Several Towns, and Sums to be Refunded.

Either there were less dogs in Hampden county last year than the year before or they failed to have a legal existence, for the amount received by the county treasurer for dog licenses was about $100 less than in 1903, the exact figures being $14,345 60. The amount paid out in damages was $1369 15, or more than $200 above the sum paid in 1903. The total amount to be refunded to the cities and towns is $12,976.45. The places which are fortunate enough to get larger amounts than in 1903 are Brimfield, Granville, Holland, Holyoke, Longmeadow, Russell, Southwick, Wales and Springfield. Palmer receives $17.69 less than in 1903. Following is a list of the amounts paid into the county treasury by the several cities and towns, and the amounts to be refunded, also the amounts refunded last year from the tax of 1903:

	Received for dog licenses, 1904.	Amount refunded, 1904.	Amount refunded, 1903.
Agawam,	$ 361.20	$ 327.07	$ 328.86
Blandford,	147 60	133.64	147 77
Brimfield,	2 44 80	221 66	211.65
Chester,	179.40	162.45	177.00
Chicopee,	1,358 40	1,230.05	1,331.56
E. Longmeadow,	141 60	128.32	149.99
Granville,	207 60	187.98	171.10
Hampden,	117.60	106.48	115.55
Holland,	46.80	42.37	32.44
Holyoke,	2,157 00	1,953.11	1,932.07
Longmeadow,	172 80	156.47	137.21
Ludlow,	349.80	316.75	322.20
Monson,	592 80	536.79	593.47
Montgomery,	50.40	45.63	56.66
Palmer,	678 60	614 48	632.17
Russell,	77.40	70.09	6 111
Southwick,	220 80	199.93	193 87
Springfield,	4,958.60	4,490 04	4,415 39
Tolland,	71 40	64 65	79.99
Wales,	93 60	84.20	79 44
Westfield,	980 40	887.77	999.92
W. Springfield,	894 00	809.52	857.15
Wilbraham,	228 60	206.99	217.21
Fines,	15 00		
	$14,345 60	$12,976.45	$13,262.66

BOWLING.

Three Rivers 2303, Cheney Bigelows 2271

The Three Rivers bowling team went to Springfield Saturday night and rolled with the Cheney Bigelows at the Brunswick alleys, each getting two points. Lavene of Three Rivers scattered 236 pins on his third string, which is within 10 pins of the Springfield record. His 502 was the best total of the game. The summary:

Three Rivers.			
Lavine,	110	155	236—502
Story,	157	176	153—486
Barnett,	116	154	112—370
Frame,	147	135	159—441
Upham,	171	162	162—495
	701	780	822—2303
Cheney Bigelows.			
Bell,	146	140	162—448
Mack,	168	156	140—464
Cowan,	157	141	142—443
Stone,	160	134	142—436
McDonald,	159	169	152—480
	790	743	738—2271

Plamer Team Wins.

The first match on Tufts' new alleys was bowled Tuesday night, when the Three Rivers team met defeat at the hands of the Palmer team. The score:

Palmers.				
Keith,	147	183	119	449
Morrill,	178	198	201	580
Fay,	137	103	157	397
Roche,	126	167	171	464
Tufts,	188	172	149	509
	776	823	800	2399
Three Rivers.				
Trickett,	146	132	141	419
Frame,	156	192	185	533
Lavene,	136	173	150	459
Story,	165	173	150	459
Upham,	122	144	165	431
	725	814	764	2303

The George Nye team of Springfield will howl the Palmer team in Tufts' alleys Monday night.

Thorndike Pool Match.

The fourth week of the pool match between the S. M. T. A. S. and the Independent teams of Thorndike closed Wednesday night and resulted in a victory for the Temperance team by 35 points in the totals, which is given in the summary below. The games have been very interesting from the start and have afforded much sport for outsiders who have witnessed them as well as for those taking part. The first week the Independents held the lead, but the Temperance team has made wonderful progress in the past two weeks.

Monday night P. Stokes and M. F. Loftus, representing the society, defeated George Laplant and M. F. Sullivan for the Independents at Massie'a pool room by a score of 100 to 74 points. Wednesday evening Charles E. Walker and T. F. Sullivan of the society defeated William Gingraw and Camile Pero by a score of 100 to 93 in the best game of the series. This game closes the first half of the contest. The last half is to be played in singles. The Temperance society has made choice of these players: Charles E. Walker, T. F. Sullivan, D. J. Sullivan, Michael F. Loftus and the fifth man has not been selected as yet. For the Independents the following will play: T. Longtine, Charles Bressette, D. Bressette, M. F. Sullivan and Camile Pero. Much interest is manifested in the coming contest.

The following is the summary of the first half, with the names of the players and the points to their credit:

S. M. T. A. S.	
C. E. Walker,	167
D. J Sullivan,	74
*T. F. Sullivan,	140
P. Cahill Jr.,	71
W. Riley,	87
M. F. Hurley,	74
F. Longtine,	20
J. J. Mongion,	40
P. Stokes,	100
M. Loftus,	100
Total,	873
Independents.	
C. Bressette,	118
T Longtine,	82
D. Bressette,	98
W. LaPlant,	76
Wm. Gingraw,	91
Alex Goodreau,	41
F. Gebo,	60
M. Stokes,	29
F. McIntire,	22
M. F. Sullivan,	87
Geo. LaPlanie,	74
Camile Pero,	57
Total,	838

Under a protest by Manager Gebo of the Independents one point made by T. F. Sullivan was forfeited by Referee Dr. Daniel O'Connor. (*point forfeited)

BELCHERTOWN.

Cards have been received in town announcing the marriage of Ethel O. Staples and Rufus L. Cushman at Greenwood on the 18th. Mr. Cushman is a member of the Montague family, and was at one time a resident of Belchertown, having many relatives here.

The Baptist Missionary Circle held their annual meeting Monday and elected officers as follows: President, Mrs. A. D. Woodberry; vice president, Mrs. K. E. Thayer; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. E. S. Washburn; directors, Mrs. William E. Bridgman, Mrs. Charles Walker and Mrs. Marian Cady White.

A box social was held Monday evening under the auspices of the Grand Army and Relief Corps and was a most enjoyable occasion. About 100 were present. The sale of boxes by Auctioneer Allen was the feature of the evening. Remarks were made by Messrs. Woodberry and Adkins and Merrick A. Morse, which with singing by the quartet and a recitation by Miss Eva Ward, formed a pleasing program.

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FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 27, 1905.

PALMER NEWS.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

The weekly dance will be held this evening and the dancing school as usual tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The hospital ice houses have been filled with ice. Some is of extra fine quality and is 20 inches thick.

The Sunday service will be conducted by Rev. Dr. J. S. Lemou of Washington, D. C. This will be the Episcopal service, and visitors are welcome.

The effect of the storm has been quite troublesome. Clearing the roads and making the paths passable has been interesting work for the patients and a large number of the employees.

Like the Company They Work For.

There is evidently the most harmonious feeling between the management of the Springfield and Eastern Street Railway Company and the employes of the road. After being on duty on a snow plow for 40 hours up to six o'clock last night one of the men was heard to remark this morning, "We were good for 20 more, and willing to put them in if necessary." It isn't every company which has the good will of its employes to this extent. Some of the crews of the plows never saw Palmer from 2 o'clock Wednesday morning until 6 last night.

C. E. Meeting Postponed.

The annual meeting and rally of the Palmer and Monson Christian Endeavor Union, which was to have been held in the Congregational church in Monson Wednesday evening, was postponed on account of the storm until next Wednesday evening at 7 30, when the program as arranged will be carried out.

C. K. Gamwell is confined to his home by an attack of the grip.

Elder Goodwin of Springfield will preach in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Eva O., infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Labelle of Blanchardville, died Friday of pneumonia.

D. L Bodfish went to Boston Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. W. W. Cross, a former Palmer resident.

William Saunders, who has been at the hospital in Springfield with pneumonia, has recovered and returned to Palmer.

John P. Eastman, who has been janitor of St. Paul's church for some time, has resigned, to take effect the first of next mouth.

Esther, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs H. W. Holbrook, who has been sick with bronchial pneumonia, is nearly fully recovered.

There was a large attendance at the annual ball of the firemen last Friday evening, and the boys will clear about $50 from the event.

The adjourned meeting of the Congregational church will be held next Thursday evening after the regular evening service of the church.

The Palmer National Bank has installed a series of safe deposit boxes in its vault, which will be rented to patrons at a reasonable figure.

The special meeting of the historical society, called for Wednesday evening, was postponed until this evening on account of the storm.

Miss Dorothy M. Sisk and Fred W. Golden of New London were married Monday morning by Rev. M. O. Patton of the Congregational church.

John C. Burley of Wales was adjudged an insane person at Tuesday's session of the district court, and was committed to the asylum at Northampton.

The chicken-pie supper which the young people of St. Paul's church had planned to give this evening has been postponed until Tuesday evening of next week.

Miss Bertha Hastings of Pleasant street left Tuesday for Demarest, Georgia, where she has accepted a position as teacher of languages in Piedmont College.

E. R. Pierce has returned from Boston, where he has been for medical treatment, and his many friends are pleased to see him looking so much improved.

Miss Georgia Packard, who was so severely burned by the overturning of a kerosene lamp several weeks ago, resumed her place in Taylor's grocery store this week.

Carl Norberg and Leander Milde were arrested Sunday night for creating a disturbance near the Point of Rocks, and in the district court next morning were released on probation.

The joint meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club and the Woman's Tuesday Club, scheduled for yesterday afternoon, was postponed on account of the inability of the speaker to be present.

Deputy Sheriff O. W. Studley of Springfield, formerly of Palmer, was a victim of sneak-thieves recently, a dress suit case belonging to him being stolen from the baggage room in Springfield.

A boy of 7 years who weighed 220 pounds and a girl of 4 who weighed 168 attracted considerable attention at the passenger station on Monday while with their parents they waited for a train.

The special town meeting will be held in the town hall at Four Corners next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The principal articles are to appropriate additional funds for the overseers of poor and the school committee.

The subject of the morning sermon at St. Paul's church next Sunday will be "The two Gardens, Eden and Gethsemane." A gospel service will be held in the evening at 7, when the subject will be "Faith in Man."

The pupils of the ninth grade of the grammar school started for a sleighride to Belchertown Monday evening, but the horses gave out when about three miles from that place and the party had to return, getting back about 9 o'clock.

The street railway has built and opened a commodious waiting room at the Forest Lake Junction, and now issues transfers from that point to either Ware or Thorndike, Three Rivers or Bondsville; these are good from no other point on the line.

At the meeting of the Entre Nous whist club Monday evening at Mrs. A. J. Purinton's on Central street Miss Carrie Fish was the winner of the first prize. The Monday Evening whist club met with Mrs. Abbie J. Lawton on Park street; Mrs. C. A. LeGro won the first and second prizes and Mrs. J. H. Gamwell the consolation prize.

Morning service at the Congregational church Sunday at 10 45; preaching by the pastor. The evening service will be omitted in order to unite with the Baptist church in a service in behalf of the Home department of the Sunday school. Sunday school will be at 12, and Endeavor meetings at 4, 5 and 6 o'clock. Mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7.30.

Mrs. J. H. Spear of Shutesbury, formerly of Palmer, writes that she has picked from her Ponderosa lemon tree a lemon measuring 14½ inches around the smallest way and weighing 1½ pounds It is very smooth in growth and of exquisite fragrance. The tree is only three years old and is covered with glossy dark leaves, and has had more than 100 blossoms the past season.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be "God's Gift to the Church;" Sunday school at 12; Junior C E. at 4; Y. P. S C. E. at 6. There will be a union service at 7 o'clock, when Mr. W. C. King of Springfield will speak on the Home Department work of the Sunday school. Mr. King is the chairman of the Home Department of the Massachusetts Sunday School Association."

Nancy M., 71, wife of James Knox, died Monday night at her home on Pleasant street after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Knox was born in Dudley, but had been a resident of Palmer for a number of years. She is survived by her husband The funeral was held at the house yesterday afternoon. Rev. Julian Tuthill of Palmer read the Episcopal service. Miss Wilson of Ware sang. The body was placed in the tomb in the Thorndike street cemetery.

The district court had one "drunk" to deal with on Wednesday, a North Wilbraham man who was found lying beside the fence near Fuller's crossing on the Bondsville road the night before. He was placed on probation until March 6 He owes his life to the crew of the electric car which runs on that line; they discovered him and notified Officer Collins of Bondsville, who secured a team and took the man to the lockup; had he remained undiscovered he would surely have frozen to death before morning.

The funeral of Jason A. Palmer was held from his home on Knox street Sunday afternoon, Rev. M. O. Patton of the Congregational church officiating. Mrs. Lucy A. Flynt and Mrs. A. D. Norcross sang several selection, and there was a profusion of flowers. There were delegations from the Masons and the Eastern Star present. The bearers were F. S. Pease of Springfield, F. T. Place of Boston, J. L Palmer and Howard Palmer of Palmer, all nephews of the deceased. Burial was in the Four Corners cemetery.

Mrs. Clara Sophia Stone, 73, wife of Capt. Clark P. Stone, died at her home in Springfield Saturday morning after a short illness with Bright's disease. Mrs. Stone was the daughter of Barton and Carrie Hancock Cook, and was born in Dover, Vt. She was married to Capt. Stone in 1852, and had since lived in Springfield, Townshend and Brattleboro, Vt., and in Palmer, where Capt. Stoue for many years conducted the Nassowanno House, going later to what is now the Converse House, from which he went to Springfield about 12 years ago Mrs. Stone was a member of E. K. Wilcox Woman's Relief Corps of of Springfield. Besides her husband she leaves one daughter, Mrs. Effie May Cleary of Springfield. The funeral was held Tuesday and was attended by a number of her former Palmer friends; burial was in Townshend, Vt.

THORNDIKE.

Ami Baggs, the cattleman, shipped a carload of cattle to Brighton on Tuesday over the Boston and Albany railroad.

Dennis O'Connor, a former resident, after an absence of five years in Philadelphia, Pa., is spending a vacation with relatives here.

Cornelius Roche fell on the ice Saturday night and broke his left arm between the wrist and elbow. He was attended by Dr. J. C. Boulay of Main street.

The oyster supper and farce, the "Old Maid's Association," which was to have been given Wednesday evening in the vestry of the Congregational church by the Ladies' Society, was postponed on account of the storm until next Tuesday evening.

Persons who have occasion to do much driving across the railroad crossing at the upper village complain that the coal cars which are left on the switch are run too closely to the highway for safety, there being hardly room enough for two teams to pass each other.

Miss Leah Fountain and Oliver Blanchard were united in marriage at St. Anne's church in Three Rivers Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Campeau performed the ceremony. The bride wore a gown of green silk and a white velvet hat After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride on Commercial street to only relatives of the couple. The newly-married couple received many handsome and useful gifts.

THREE RIVERS.

Found—Fur boa on Belchertown road.
J. T. Geer.

Miss Lena Lavene is ill with a severe cold.

Mrs. Darius Gray is visiting friends in Natick.

Miss Edith Gray is visiting relatives in Thorndike.

Samuel Cole has recovered from an attack of grippe.

Harris Dupont is seriously ill at his home on Main street.

O. A. Maxwell is seriously ill with an attack of grippe.

The Boston and Albany station is receiving a coat of paint.

L. L. Keith returned yesterday from a business trip to Boston.

E. Witkin is to move his store from the Johnson block to Willis's block.

Miss Lillian Abare has been confined to her home with an attack of grippe.

Walter Sikes of Orono, Me., is visiting his mother on the Belchertown road.

Mrs. Gaston Smith and son Leon are visiting Mrs H. A. Shaw on Main street.

D. Fortier has recovered from the injuries received recently in a runaway accident

Friends of Daniel V. Fogarty will be glad to learn of his recovery from his recent illness.

Nelson Freak has moved into the house formerly occupied by B. L Sargent on School street.

A feature of the evening services at the Union Evangelical church hereafter will be a male chorus.

Alfonse Henrichon is ill with an attack of appendicitis. He was taken to the House of Mercy hospital Tuesday.

Willis A. Calkins has recovered from injuries received recently while sharpening an axe, and is able to resume his duties at the Palmer Mill office.

The subject of Rev. Charles Olmstead's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Folly of Fretting;" the evening topic will be "The River of Life."

Elcide Barber met with an accident yesterday morning while cutting a ball of string in the Palmer Mill. His knife slipped and cut his hand severely.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Newell of Demerest, Ga., are visiting R. C. Newell. Mr. Newell is dean of the Peidmont University in Georgia and has come North to raise funds for the support of the college.

Mrs Nancy A. Cole, 67, died at the home of her niece, Mrs Frank B. Cudworth yesterday. Mrs. Cole was a resident of Springfield, but was well known in Three Rivers. She leaves a father, Frank Sanderson of Worthington, and a sister and brother, Mrs. Alvy Parsons of Springfield and Frank Sanderson of Worthington. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon and burial will be at Worthington.

Rev. E. A. Thomas of Central Falls, R. I., will deliver a stereopticon lecture in the First Baptist church next Monday evening at 7 45. The subject will be "The Connecticut River Valley." One hundred views will be shown and a dissolving lantern will be used by an expert operator from Boston. Mr. Thomas is a former pastor of the church. An admission fee of 25 cents will be charged; children under 12, 15 cents.

BONDSVILLE.

Mrs. L. L. Beeman visited over Sunday and the first of the week in West Brookfield.

Mrs. E. G. Childs has been spending the week in Lowell.

Mrs. Edward Sharratt has been confined to her home with the grippe this week.

Miss Elsie Royce of Boston University was the guest of Miss Annie Collis this week.

Mrs. Chester Mannion is ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bolter.

Frank Girouard is clerking in the store of O. A. Parent during the absence of Olin F. Parent.

Miss Maude Gunn of Suffield, Ct., was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs George Gunn Monday.

The next meeting of the King's Daughters Circle will be held at the home of Mrs. William Morse.

A new store has been opened in the Lander's block across the river. It is conducted by Jews.

Miss Ora Parent of Framingham was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Parent over Sunday.

Miss Augusta Dunakin of Ludlow was a guest the first of the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. A Parent.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold a meeting next Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. G Childs.

Mr. Cook of Belchertown has started a harness and shoe repair shop in R. L. Bond's block on Main street.

Mrs. H. C. Cushman, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. R. Holden, returned to her home in Bernardston the first of the week.

On account of the severe weather Tuesday the sleighride which the ninth grade of the grammar school had planned to Monson was postponed.

Mrs. John Robinson and daughter Florence of West Springfield spent the first of the week as guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Billings.

The young girls' sewing circle held a meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. C. Morgan. They meet next Tuesday afternoon at the same place.

A number of the Masons and their families from this village attended the addenda, "The Star Crowned Cross," given by the ladies of the Eastern Star Tuesday night in the Masonic hall, Palmer.

O. A Parent and son, Olin F. Parent, started Wednesday for Clifton Springs, N. Y., where O. F. Parent intends to make a two-months' stay for the benefit of his health. O. A. Parent expects to return next Sunday.

The electric car which carries the high school scholars left this village about 7 50 Thursday morning and was stalled near the Polish church at Four Corners for over one hour; consequently the pupils arrived in Palmer at about 10.15 instead of 8 as usual.

The King's Daughters Circle held a meeting Monday evening with Miss Helen Farnsworth at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E E. Ryther. After the meeting a social was enjoyed by the members, and a chafing-dish luncheon was served by Misses Helen Farnsworth, Alice Thompson and Mabel Ryther. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing games. The circle is planning to have an Easter sale of fancy and useful articles. They are also planning to give a farce in connection with it.

Fraternity Notes.

The officers of Palmer council, Knights of Columbus, will be installed Sunday afternoon.

The Chiefs of the Red Men could not be raised to their stumps last evening on account of the Grand Prophet and suite being unable to reach Palmer on account of the storm.

District Deputy Mrs. Elizabeth M. White of Springfield, assisted by Mrs. Elizabeth A. Hart, suite and escort, installed these officers of Good Cheer lodge of Rebekahs Monday evening: N G., Mrs. Agnes Wilson; V. G., Mrs Ada Fillmore; R. S., Miss Ida Lyon; treasurer, Mrs. Lucy Bishop; F. S., Mrs. M. E. Murdock; W., Mrs. Georgia Fuller; C, Mrs. Nellie Aldrich; O G., Edward J. Fuller; I. G., Miss Mabel Wilcox; R. S. N. G., Mrs Nellie Fuller; L. S. N. G., Miss Mary Robinson; R. S. V. G., Mrs. Mabel Green; L. S. V. G., Mrs. Anna Hale. A supper was served before the meeting.

HOLLAND.

William Hopkins of West Springfield has purchased the hotel property and is living there. He will make extensive alterations in the spring and will take summer boarders.

The funeral of Mrs. Martha Chace Groves was held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lewis M. Howlett. Mrs. Groves was one of the oldest persons in the county, having reached the age of 92 years. She was born in Brookfield Oct. 11, 1812. She was married to Levin Groves when quite young and they carried on an extensive farm in Brimfield. Of their eight children, three are living, William Groves of Prescott, Mrs. Annette Gould of Bristol, Ct., and Mrs. Lewis Howlett of Holland. The body was taken to Brimfield for burial.

WILBRAHAM.

Miss Nina Johnson spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. George Hulme.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beebe observed the 10th anniversary of their marriage at their home Monday evening, about 40 of their friends being present. Among the gifts left by the guests were two tin hats, with trimmings complete. Refreshments were served during the evening.

R. R. Wright Sr., the oldest citizen in Wilbraham, and a life-long resident of that place, observed his 94th birthday Saturday at his home on Main street. Many of his neighbors and friends called on him during the day to extend their congratulations and best wishes, while letters of congratulation and gifts were received from out-of-town friends. Mr. Wright enjoys good health and takes a keen interest in the events of the day.

WEST WARREN.

Benjamin Tein is spending this week in New York city.

The public and parochial schools held no sessions Wednesday. Yesterday the parochial school held no session.

The marriage of Mrs. Matilda Vigneaux of South street and Victor Lapierre of North street took place in the vestry of St. Thomas's church Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Phileas Trottier officiating. Miss Eliza Lapierre, a sister of the groom, was bridesmaid, and Napoleon Lapierre was best man.

The newly-elected officers of division 27 *of Hibernians* were installed Sunday afternoon by the retiring president, W. J. Teagan. They are: President, Timothy M. Collins; vice president, Jerry M. Sheehan; recording secretary, Cornelius Sheehan; financial secretary, John E Hurley; treasurer, Michael J. Shea; sergeant-at-arms, John Collins; doorkeeper, George Miller.

The funeral of Miss Mary Broderick, who died Tuesday of last week, was held Friday morning at 9 o'clock in St. Thomas's church, Rev. Phillias Trottier officiating. There was a large attendance. Miss Broderick was a popular young woman and the news of her sudden death was a shock to her many friends. Her father, John Broderick, died last June, and her mother has been in poor health for several years. There were many floral tributes. The bearers were Jeremiah Carey, Jeremiah Sullivan of West Warren, Dennis Lynch of Monson, Cornelius Brosnan and Timothy Prindible of Worcester, and John L. Sullivan of Winchendon. Burial was in Ware.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, JAN 25, 1905.

One of the staunch Republicans of Boston, much interested in politics, came out of the hearing Tuesday forenoon on the repeal of the duty on hides saying that it was for the Legislature to say whether this thing should go on and Massachusetts continue to be Democratic. This was just after Joseph H. Walker of Worcester had spoken against any change in the tariff on hides because it would endanger the entire tariff system. It begins to look as if this forecast would be correct. Business men came up strongly protesting against the duty on hides, such strenuous Republicans as ex-mayor Pickard of Newton, speaking as a Republican, saying that the duty ought to be removed because it raised the price of every pair of shoes from six to ten cents and because it neither gave the government any revenue of importance nor any protection to the raiser of cattle. Some Brockton manufacturers and others followed in the strongest sort of argument against the tariff, saying that they were perfectly willing to have their protection on boots and shoes removed if they could only get their raw materials free. Col. Albert Clarke of the Home Market club was present but he did not get his turn. The hearing will be continued Thursday, and the subject of free coal and other free raw materials will be taken up. It is evident that some of the committee are stoutly opposed to any change in the tariff, while others are equally positive on the other side. It looks very much as if the issue would narrow down to the question whether the party managers of the Republicans would say that the tariff must not be touched and run their risk of having the state go Democratic, or would save the state to the Republican party by putting in the entering wedge for a general tariff revision.

It will be noticed that the mass of petitions for new legislation did not contain anything about the proposed new state seal which Edwin D Mead has suggested, to contain a picture of the Mayflower under full sail, with a lighted candle and, for a motto, the first words of the immortal covenant which the Pilgrims signed on the Mayflower before landing: "In the name of God, amen." Some of his critics have feared that he wished to push the matter and try to get legislation this session. This is not at all true. First of all, he and the growing number of those who believe that he has the right side of the argument, want to educate the public conscience and the public taste, as well as the historic sense of the people. It is a very strong case for conscience, for the ideals of Massachusetts and for patriotism which is made out against the warlike Latin motto and the Indian and the substitution of the memorable figure of the Mayflower, with a state motto which suggests the best and grandest in the history of Massachusetts. There is no hurry; time enough is coming; patriotism and truth and artistic taste can have all their perfect work, and when that work is done the friends of this movement believe that the Indian, the uplifted sword and the warlike Latin motto will not be on our state seal. Some of the prominent people of this part of the state have taken up the matter earnestly because it may mean much for the moral character of the state symbol which is of the right sort, and they will press their truth upon the people.

When the gates closed against new business at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon, there had been 768 House matters presented and 188 Senate matters against 923 and 219 respectively last year. But doubtless there will be more suspensions of the rules later, so the business will be more nearly equal. Cities and towns are expected to bring in more business and to ask for the suspension of the rules.

The Massachusetts state board of trade has had taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on constitutional amendments the petition for biennial elections of state officers and members of the Legislature. This was presented last year and had such utter lack of support on the part of the public that the petitioners asked that it be referred to this Legislature, and no contest whatever was made then. Now the matter has been taken from the files and referred. Under the circumstances, it is not easy to see how it can have much support. The amendments for biennials, which were voted on in 1896, provided for elections on even years, but the petitioners hope that this, which will still allow elections every year, will be more fortunate. But the amendment relating to state officers was defeated in 1896 by over 50,000 majority, and that for biennial elections of members of the Legislature by over 45,000 majority. This was done in a year when the Republicans swept the state for McKinley, proving that a large number of Republicans voted against the change. The biennial proposition has always had its strength in those who want fewer elections, and the proposition to have just as many elections as ever does not appeal to their enthusiasm at all. Considering that many Republicans, the labor element generally and those who believe in close accountability of the legislators to the people would surely oppose any lengthening of the Legislature's term to two years, and considering the growing jealousy of the people for their political rights against the tremendous money power which is now ranged against the people more than ever, the situation does not look as if the pending proposition could get even a majority of the Legislature, to say nothing of the two-thirds required in the House.

In spite of the fact that the state tax is higher than ever and is not likely to go down again to its former proportions, because the state has assumed charge of the support of the insane poor, yet there signs that efforts to increase salaries will be as strong as ever. This is indicated in the judicial department, where there was a special revision last year, for the very purpose of putting an end to the frequent petitions and to establish some sort of equality. The Legislature then did all it could to classify the judges, associates and clerks and various assistants in the municipal, district and police courts in all parts of the state, and it was supposed that that would be the end of agitation for a time. But the situation is just as unsatisfactory as ever. The men who are classified one way, but come pretty near the top of their class believe that they ought to go higher, and the consequence is that the statistics to prove that more salary should be paid, based upon the most favored persons in the next higher class, have appeared, and it looks as *if the old contest would have to* be fought over again in another. The state has simply changed the place, but kept the pain.

Two policies are in sight regarding public reservations. The people in the vicinity of Sugar Loaf, that conspicuous monument in South Deerfield, at the upper end of the Connecticut valley as one looks across the long open sweep from Northampton to the north, are anxious to have their local pride made a state reservation, after the precedent of Wachusett, Greylock, Mt. Tom and the Blue Hills, but some of the practical men, such as Senator Keyes of Berkshire, think that this policy has gone far enough, that Greylock itself is nothing but a wilderness of waste and that the state's money could be better spent. But it is not likely that the hands of progress will turn back on the clock of time.

Representative Schofield of Ipswich hopes to secure the passage at this session of a bill which will give to each of the veterans of the civil war who did not get bounties the $125 which he tried to give them last year, but was prevented by the decision of the supreme court that the law was unconstitutional. What he proposes now is not a bounty, but a gift in testimony of services rendered to the state. He has worked it very skillfully and believes that the bill is not open to constitutional objections. In 1900 the judges of the supreme court wanted to see an allowance made, as had been the custom, of the remainder of the salary for the year to the widow of the late Chief Justice Walbridge A. Field. The Senate asked their opinion if the law was constitutional. They decided that it was, and one of their points in proof was a law passed by the General Court in 1781, just after the constitution had been adopted, when men probably were present who were in the convention, by which a gift of money was made to the soldiers of the Revolution on the ground that it was recognition of services rendered in the war. Mr. Schofield regards that case as precisely parallel to this and does not see how the judges who decided as they did in 1900 can give a different decision in 1905.

Yesterday afternoon the chairmen of committees held a meeting with Speaker Frothingham and as they came out, an old time member, who had been through the experience several times before, said that they had been having their usual exhortation to good deeds and that it would probably be followed by the usual consequences But, since the amount of new business is some 200 matters less than last year, it is possible that they will improve the record.

LANDON.

LUDLOW.

R E Fairchild, who has been agent at the Athol branch station for the past three years, has resigned his position to take effect February 17. He will be succeeded by J. A. Stiglich.

Albert Bly celebrated his 83d birthday Tuesday at his home on North street with a family gathering. His sons, Leslie of New Bedford and Fred of Franklin, were present, and his nieces, Mrs. Alice Cutler Woodin of Springfield and Mrs. Pierce of New Bedford, besides other immediate relatives. Mr. Bly enjoys good health and is unusually active for a man of his years. He is employed at his trade as a mechanic

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The fault of giving children medicine containing injurious substances is sometimes more disastrous than the disease from which they are suffering. Every mother should know that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is perfectly safe for children to take. It contains nothing harmful and for coughs, colds and croup is unsurpassed. For sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

BORN.

In Springfield, 20th, a son to George K. and Bertha G. Kimball, and great grandson to George B. Kenerson of Palmer.

In Cleveland, O., 16th, a son to Victor D. and Lulu Dickinson Murdock.

MARRIED.

In West Warren, 24th, by Rev. Phillas Trottier, Victor Lapierre and Mrs. Matilda Vigneaux.

DIED.

In Three Rivers, 26th, Mrs. Nancy R. Cole, 67, of Springfield.

ROOM AND BOARD. 20-tf NO. 1 SCHOOL STREET.

FOR SALE—Two-seated sleigh; French Carriage Co's. make. H. E. SHAW, Wales.

FOR SALE—One new Travers runner business sleigh. 44-1 F. D. THOMPSON.

LOST—Between Church and Park streets, a fur glove. Finder please leave at 44-1 AUTHIER & CO'S. STORE.

GIRL WANTED for general housework. Apply to MRS. A. W. HOLBROOK, Knox Street.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT, after December 1, my house and stable on Knox St., Palmer. 31-tf THOMAS BLANCHARD.

FOR SALE—Cushion-tired top buggy; open buggy, hard rubber tires; plano-box carriage; Concord buggy; Buckboard. All new. J. F. TWISS, Three Rivers, Mass.

PIGS FOR SALE—Nice lot of Berkshire Chester White cross. Inquire at Buck & Co's. wholesale hardware house, near B. & A. freight house, or residence of G. E. BUCK, Main street, Palmer. 30-tf

NOTICE—I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting my wife, Ruth Alhina Capen, on my account, she having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation. I shall pay no bills of her contracting after this date. ALBERT CAPEN.
January 9, 1905. 42-3

For Sale!

A black roan Horse 10 years old, weight about 900 lbs., sound, stands without hitching, afraid of nothing and safe for any child to drive who can hold the reins. Is a fine saddle horse. Have no use for him, otherwise would not be for sale.

Chas. Merrick, Monson.

AUCTION!

Will be sold at public auction six pieces of monumental granite at

Flynt's Quarry in Monson, Mass., Feb 15th, 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m.

The same is sold for C. V. R. R. for freight charges. W. A. BARNES, Auctioneer.

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Auction Sale of Real Estate.

The property at the head of School street in Palmer, Mass., known as the "Dr. Wood" place, will be sold at auction, on

Saturday, Feb. 4, 1905,

at 2 o'clock p. m.

Property consists of a lot 8 rods square, 1½ story 2-tenement house, and barn, and will be sold to the highest bidder.

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January 7, 1905.

For particulars see flyers.

D. L. Bodfish, Palmer.

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In taking inventory this week I find that I have three dinner sets left; I am out of the crockery business and will close these out at extremely low figures:

One set, former price $ 8.50, now $4.97
One set, former price 11.00, now 7.94
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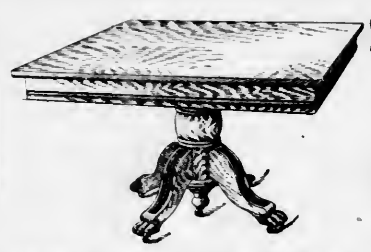

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Monson News.

WEDNESDAY'S BIG STORM.

Snow Nearly Two Feet Deep and Badly Drifted. Few Pupils at School.

Monson was visited Wednesday by the worst storm it has experienced since the great and much-talked of blizzard of 1888. There are many who advance the idea that Wednesday's storm was even worse than that of 1888, but more general is the expression that the fall of snow was hardly as deep and the cold less intense.

As near as can be learned the depth of the snowfall in places where it is not drifted ranges from 18 to 24 inches, while in the drifted spots it will run from six to ten feet in depth. Many of the roads in the out districts were rendered impassable, and heavy teams were busy yesterday breaking them out. At the hat factory nearly all of the girls were at work in the morning, but were started home early in the afternoon. The W. N Flynt Granite Company sent down a four-horse team after the girls who live near the quarry and work in the shop. The store delivery teams remained in the barns all day, and the mail carriers made no effort to cover the two rural routes.

The no-school bell was rung at the Academy at 8 o'clock, and parents of the public school children were listening for the no-school signal to be blown on the fire alarm at 8 15, but for some unknown reason it was not blown. Nearly all the parents however kept their children at home. In the eighth grade on Green street there were four scholars, in the ninth grade one, and in the other schools about the same numbers. Three of the four teachers at the No 8 school made a brave effort to get through the snow to the schoolhouse on the sand hill, but were compelled to give it up and returned to the car line. Several of the teachers in the out districts telephoned in to Supt. Wheeler concerning holding sessions and were instructed to hold school if any scholars came. There is much criticism over the action of the school superintendent if he is responsible, and if not he, of the school committee, as it was certainly the height of folly to think of holding sessions in such weather. Just what weather is required to necessitate the blowing of the no-school signal at present is a matter of conjecture, and several strong expressions have been heard about town.

The electric road people are to be complimented on the splendid way in which they served the public, the cars being run about on schedule time all day. The Granite Co's. four-horse team was at work yesterday, levelling down the snow thrown up by the snow plows on the electric road.

Academy Notes.

Norcross, '06, is ill with an attack of grip.

Prof. Butterworth went to Boston this afternoon.

Chapin, '08, visited his parents in Springfield last Saturday.

School was closed all day Wednesday because of the storm

No gymnasium exercises were held yesterday afternoon because of the storm.

Miss Horton, '06, Miss Butterworth, '05, are kept from attending school because of slight colds.

Many of the students are planning to attend the social and entertainment at the church parlors this evening.

The entertainment for the benefit of the athletic association will be given next Friday evening at the school chapel.

Francis McQuaid, '05, has once more become the happy possessor of his much cherished relay medal, which was taken from him a few weeks ago.

The girls representing the class of 1907 for the second time this year defeated the 1906 basketball team at the gymnasium Monday afternoon by a score of 8 to 7.

The basketball team plays Ware high school at Ware to-morrow afternoon. Monson will be without the services of both forwards, as Hynes is suffering with a sore foot and Faulkner met with an accident Tuesday, which will prevent his playing. The line-up will probably be as follows: Page, rf; Rourke, lf; Briggs, c (capt.); English, lg; Graves, rg.

Next Monday evening the Lino and Philo societies will hold their second joint meeting of the year, and will carry out the following program: Declamation, William E. Hynes; recitation, Miss Bessie Leahy; music, Alfred Norcross; vocal solo, Miss Florence Sault; "Spice," Miss Lizzie Connell; declamation, Carl Homer; debate,"Resolved, that the Co-Educational College Offers a Better Training to aYoung Man or Woman than a Strictly Separate College," affirmative, Miss Nellie Beckwith, Harry Oldfield; negative, Miss Fannie Brainerd, Ralph Purinton.

Selectman Clifford spent Friday and Saturday in Boston.

Miss Elizabeth Hanson visited relatives in Springfield this week.

F. E. Severy has been drawn as juror for the February term of court.

William N. Flynt was called to Worcester Wednesday on business.

Omer E. Bradway is ill at his home on East Hill with pneumonia.

Lavater Webber of Hartford, Ct., has been visiting relatives here this week.

Alfred Norcross has been confined to the house this week on account of illness.

Mrs. G. F. Ball of New London, Ct., visited her sister, Mrs. H. F. Miller, this week.

Miss Esther R Holmes and Miss Mabel Anderson visited friends in Boston this week.

The selectmen have purchased a new pair of work horses for use at the town farm.

Mrs. Harriet Shaw of Warren is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Page on Bridge street.

Carl Nordstrum of Westfield, a former resident of this town, visited friends here Monday.

The Green street whist club met Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chapman on Green street.

Rev. C. C. Conner will preach in the Gage district schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

A. W. Clark of Boston will deliver an address to the teachers in the Green street school to-morrow.

Marcus Keep Women's Relief Corps held their regular meeting in Grand Army hall Wednesday evening.

Miss Hattie Giffin of Springfield spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Giffin on East Hill.

Mrs. Kinney of Rochedale has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. D. Norcross on Main street this week.

Frank Entwistle has been suffering this week with a sprained ankle, sustained while rolling a bale of wool.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society held a food sale in the Methodist church vestry this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

Walter Moulton of Springfield spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Moulton at South Monson.

Wilbur H. Stacy of Indian Orchard spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Stacy on North Main street.

John P. Herlihy has been in the eastern part of the state this week on a business trip in the interest of the town.

Miss Mary Leary of the Boston University has been spending a few days with her father, C. J. Leary on Green street.

The juvenile choir of St Patrick's church will hold a social this evening in the Sunday school building on Green street.

The Boys' Brigade will give a supper in the Congregational church next Monday night. The public is cordially invited.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Methodist church held a food sale in the Methodist church vestry this afternoon.

"A Mistaken Idea of Christ's Mission" will be the subject of the sermon at the Congregational church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Locke has returned to her home at Cochituate after a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Newton on Main street.

Miss Flora Moulton and Miss Elsie Royce of the Boston University have been spending a few days with their parents at South Monson.

William H. Underwood, employed by R. P. Cushman, is confined to his house by illness, and his position is being filled by William Sheriffs.

The 1905 social club will hold another of its popular dances in Memorial Hall tomorrow evening. Music will be furnished by Orcutt's orchestra.

The officers-elect of Mt. Ella lodge of United Workmen will be installed Tuesday night, Feb 7, by District Deputy Peter J. King and suite of Ware.

Sunday will be observed in the Universalist church as "Young People's Day." There will be in the evening at 6 30 a joint meeting of the Palmer and Monson unions.

The annual meeting of the Palmer-Monson Christian Endeavor Union, which was to have been held Wednesday night, will be held in the Congregational church next Wednesday night at 7 30 o'clock.

A party of 33 people went to Springfield Monday night to see "Rogers Bros. in Paris" at the Court Square and all pronounced it good. The last car from Springfield was run through to Monson.

The rural mail carriers found it impossible to cover their routes yesterday as the roads in the out-districts were still impassable. The carrier on route No 1 started, but was compelled to return home.

The Century Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. A. H. Bennett on North Main street. The meeting Tuesday afternoon will be with Mrs. F. A. Wheeler, and the program will be in charge of Mrs. A. H. Bennett, Mrs. F. S. Chapman and Mrs. E R. Cooke.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Partello were pleasantly surprised by a party of about 30 of their friends Saturday evening, who left as a remembrance of the occasion a handsome table and lamp. The presentation speech was made by C. M. Barber. A very enjoyable evening was spent in games, music, etc Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Katharine Lent Stevenson, president of the Mass W. C. T. U, will speak in the Methodist church Sunday morning on the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She will speak also at a union service in the Congregational church in the evening. Mrs. Stevenson is an interesting speaker and it is hoped many will hear her.

A robin has been seen about town by several citizens for a number of weeks. The robin was first seen about the middle of December, and has nearly every day since been seen about the residence of Dr. P. W. Soule, where it has been fed. Many scout the idea that the bird really is a robin, but those who have seen it are positive that it is nothing else.

The Current Events meeting last Friday with Miss Nellie Squier was a very pleasant one. Mrs. N. M. Pratt gave some readings and refreshments were served. The meeting this afternoon was with Mrs. G. C. Flynt; subject, "Current Events." The meeting next week Friday will be with Mrs. A. D. Ellis; subject, "Current Events," in charge of Mrs. S. F. Cushman.

The funeral of Joseph Carpenter was held at the late residence on East Hill Saturday afternoon at 2.30 and was largely attended by neighbors and friends. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. N. M. Pratt, pastor of the Congregational church, and there was singing by Mrs. J. C. Parsons and Charles F. Orcutt. There were a great many floral tributes from relatives and friends. Burial was in the No. 1 cemetery.

A meeting in the interests of forming a court of the Foresters of America will be held in Workman Hall next Thursday evening, and all who are interested are invited to be present. Among those who will be present and speak will be Grand Chief Ranger E. B. O'Brien of Lynn and Grand Trustee W. F. Duncan of Warren. The committee who has charge of forming the lodge here is James Burdick, Eugene Hodge and Frank Partello.

The stereopticon lecture in the Congregational church Tuesday night drew a good sized audience, and the pictures which were chiefly town views were described in a brief way by Robert H. Cushman. Among the collection of 100 or more shown were pictures of the town taken many years ago and at the present time, its public buildings, streets, etc., interspersed with pictures of many of its prominent citizens and several of a humorous nature. The entertainment was very interesting and entirely different from any ever held before.

Division Aid E. E Hobson of Palmer, assisted by Frank Wilcox, installed the officers-elect of A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, at their regular meeting Tuesday night. The officers are: Commander, George H. Seymour; senior vice commander, Albert Beckwith; junior vice commander, Jesse Maguire; camp council, Adelbert Page, Walter Naughton, Robert Green; first sergeant, R. A. Beckwith; quartermaster sergeant, A. A. Babbitt; sergeant of the guard, Arthur Anderson; corporal of the guard, W. H. Naughton; camp guard, R. E. Green; picket guard, Fred Flynt; chaplain, Adelbert Page; principal musician, Arthur Andros; color bearer, F. J. Maguire.

WALES.

An automobile party which arrived in Wales Sunday night encountered many difficulties in getting away. The machine, which was owned by one of the Butterick families of New York, stopped at the house of John Moran, some distance from the village, and a request was made for water and a shovel to clear away the snow in front of the wheels. Mr. Moran, who was routed out of bed, displayed anything but an amiable disposition and refused to grant either request. The victims remained in the machine until about five in the morning, when some one was found who was willing to help. The automobile returned to the village, but it was found necessary to telephone to Palmer for something to keep the water in the machine from freezing. Late in the afternoon the machine was repaired and continued on its journey.

BELCHERTOWN.

Mrs. H. D. Longley is the guest of Mrs. Mellen D. Bray in Boston.

R. E. Fairchild has resigned his position in Ludlow and will move his family from Belchertown to Vermont in the early spring.

Mrs. Nelson Towne was called to New York this week by the serious illness of her brother, William Frisbee.

A euchre party was held in the Park View hall Monday evening and was largely attended. The prizes were awarded to Mrs. H. M. Dunbar, Mrs. Arthur Bridgman, Mrs. H. R. Gould, Arthur Bridgman, G. C. Allen Jr. and H. A. Hopkins.

Miss Anna C. Baxter returned yesterday from a month's visit in Washington, D. C. Miss Baxter will go to Boston to-morrow to see her sisters, Mrs. Cullen and Mrs. Stuphen of New York, who will sail for a three months' tour in southern Europe.

WARE.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Earl Holmes of Chester are guests of H. K. Hyde a part of this week.

The new Polish priests, Rev. Oswald Loreton and Rev. Joseph Fox, are making a census of the Polish population of the town.

Calvin Hitchcock, senior member of C. Hitchcock & Co., sustained a bad fall in front of Mt. Carmel church on Bank street Tuesday. He was considerably shaken up and was confined to his bed a part of the week as a result.

Sidney Hooper, architect in the office of H. P. Cummins & Co., is to go to the Boston office of the company some time next month and will remove with his wife to that city in the spring.

C. A. Browning & Co. of Boston have recovered judgment in the district court for $236 50 and costs in an action of contact against Mrs. Mary Albertine through Attorney H. M. Coney.

The Study Club met Wednesday evening with Dr. G. F. A. Spencer. F. M. Sibley acted as chairman and Rev. J. L Wriston read a paper on the subject "The Bible; How we got it."

There have been reported to the board of health two cases of scarlet fever in the family of Rev. I. J. Fairchild on Cottage street. The two cases are the two oldest children, John and Juniata.

Miss Katherine Harrison died Sunday night at her home on East Main street after a long illness. She leaves one brother, Thomas of Ware The funeral was held from All Saints' church Wednesday morning at 9

Town Clerk A. F. Richardson has given out the birth returns for 1904 as 251, against 252 in 1903. There were 136 males and 115 females, with twins in four cases. The births of Polish parentage numbered 86, French-Canadien 52, American 58, mixed 46, Irish two, Russian 2.

A still alarm was rung in Wednesday night calling the fire department to the LaRose block on West street for a chimney fire. When the firemen reached the house, which is occupied by Polish families, the flames were getting into the woodwork, but a stream from the extinguisher put out the blaze with only a slight damage.

Ware council, Knights of Columbus, will not hold its annual ball on the Wednesday night following Easter, which falls on April 23 this year. The golf club will accordingly hold its fair on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights of the week after Easter, April 26, 27 and 28. The dance postponed from January 25 of the golf club will be held on Tuesday night, February 21

Beginning with Sunday there will only be two morning masses in All Saints' church, one at 8 and the other at 10 Previously it has been necessary to hold three masses, but with the separation of the Polish members from the parish there is room for the remaining members at two masses. The hours for the two masses of the Polish people, in the basement of the church, are 8 30 and 10 30.

T. I. Freeburn has resigned his position in the office of the George H. Gilbert Mfg. Co., and will leave town in about a month to engage in business in Boston. Mr. Freeburn has been employed in that office since leaving school in 1890, except for a time in 1893, when he attended a business school in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Mr. Freeburn is a member of Eden lodge of Masons and an officer of Washington council in Palmer at the present time. Mr. and Mrs. Freeburn have been active members of the golf club, of which he is treasurer and will be much missed in society, especially by the young people, with whom they are very popular.

WARREN.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. Miller on Main street this afternoon.

Rev. William B. Oleson entertained the Bay Path club, at the parsonage Monday evening.

The Nonpariel Whist club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Frederick W. Kimball Monday afternoon.

The remains of Mrs. John Sherman of New Haven were brought to Pine Grove cemetery for interment Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Allen Day have gone to New York, where they will spend the winter with their daughter, Mrs. Peter Kuntz.

Mrs. J. W. Hastings has returned from a two-weeks' stay in Brookline, where she was the guest of her son, Dr. Robert W. Hastings.

The annual meeting and supper of the King's Daughters' circle will be held in the Congregational chapel Tuesday afternoon and evening.

The body of Miss Elmira Pond of Roxbury was brought to Warren Monday and placed in the receiving vault at Pine Grove cemetery. She was a sister of the late B. Frank Pond.

Invitations are out for an "At Home" to be given Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Wilson Fairbank on Main street in honor of Mrs. Frank Phinney, Mrs. Guilbert and Mrs. Webber.

The annual meeting of the Warren Savings Bank has been called for next Monday afternoon at 2 in the banking rooms for the election of officers and the transaction of other business.

Leonard, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Felix A. Labrie of School street, died yesterday morning after a few hours' illness from congestion of the lungs. The funeral was held this afternoon at 2 30.

Mrs. Johanna O'Brien, who is employed in the weave-room at the Sayles & Jenks' manufacturing company, caught her left hand in the gears of her loom yesterday and badly lacerated it. She will be unable to return to work for some time.

The fourth outlook meeting was held in the Congregational church last evening. The general topic was the Christian and philanthropic work among the poor in the cities. Papers were read by Mrs. Charles N. Perkins, Mrs. Joseph G. Hastings and Mrs. William E Lincoln.

C. Dudley Perkins has been appointed superintendent of the construction of the Massachusetts state building which is to be erected at Portland, Ore., for the Lewis and Clark exposition. Mr. Perkins, in company with Wilson H. Fairbank, will leave for Portland in about two weeks.

The following officers of the American Benefit society have been elected: P., John M. Drake; V. P., Mrs. Kate Woodard; O., Mrs. Celestine Langevin; S., William F. Taylor; C., Albert Woodard; T., Frank P. Warren; chaplain, Mrs. Lucy J. Drake; M., George Cooledge; W., Henry L. Gendron; S., H. A Perry.

Town Clerk C B. Blair has given out his statistics from the vital records of last year. There were 102 deaths in 1904, against 79 in 1903 Of these, 22 were of people over 65 years old and 32 were under one year. There have been 135 births returned, as against 160 in 1903. There were 55 marriages, exactly the same as in 1903, and of the principals 32 were of Polish descent.

The annual meeting of the Camp Rio club was held last Friday evening at the home of B. R. Clarke, and these officers were chosen: President, Carl M. Blair; secretary and treasurer, Charles E. Comins; directors, Botsford R. Clarke, Edward W. Canning, George H. Burbank and Russell Gold. The treasurer's report showed the club to be in good financial standing.

The officers of the Knowles council of the Royal Arcanum were installed Monday evening by District Deputy William M. McIntire and suite of Springfield. Past Grand Regent Bickford of Boston was also present. The new officers are: Regent, Oscar W. Rice; vice regent, Homer A. Tidd; past regent, Albert B. Patrick; secretary, W. Carey Gage; collector, Fred E. Wilcox; treasurer, George Bliss; orator, A. F. Adams; guide, Ralph B Patrick; inside sentinel, Edwin Tobin; outer sentinel, Walter H. Whipple; directors, Walter A. Putnam, Charles A. Walker and D. E. Graves.

Mrs. Bertha Dubreuil, 84, died yesterday morning after a short illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Louis Gendron of East street. She had been in her usual health until Tuesday, when she rode to the Warren Savings Bank, where she was stricken. She was carried home but never rallied. Dr. Dalton pronounced death due to a ruptured blood vessel. She is survived by nine children, three sons, Joseph, Samuel and David, and a daughter, Mrs. Ledelia Conchon of Pawtucket, R. I., Mrs. Agnes Pepin of Worcester and two sons and a daughter, who live in Canada. The funeral will be held to-morrow morning in St. Paul's church and burial will be in the Catholic cemetery.

McClure's For February.

The February McClure's gets right to the spot—we should say the three spots—on our national character: "BUSINESS" GOVERNMENT, VIOLENCE AND LAWLESSNESS, THE SMOTHERING CORPORATION.

There is plenty of fiction in the number, both moving and exciting, but the most startling narrative of all is Lincoln Steffens's damning account of Rhode Island politics. Another right-arm jolt is that administered to the friends and the institution of "Lynching in the North," by Ray Stannard Baker. No more lenient, no less blunt than when he wrote last month of the South, Mr. Baker describes conditions in two "lynching towns" he visited—Springfield, Ohio, where he found disgraceful inefficiency of officers and the supineness of citizens; and Danville, Illinois, where he found a hero. Judge Peter S. Grosscup, of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, Chicago, surveys and explains the menacing loss of individual enterprise in America, and makes suggestions for laws that will give the workingman a chance to obtain more profits from his labor. American fiction brightens the pages of this number. Booth Tarkington takes us behind the scenes of a state legislature. Florence Tinsley Cox contributes the first of a series of child stories, "The Old Major." Samuel Hopkins Adams tells of "A Man and a Brother." Harvey J. O'Higgins shows more of "A Personally Conducted Revolt." A story that isn't fiction is Eugene Wood's reminiscences of school in the country, with A. B. Frost's delightful old-time illustrations. There is sport and adventure in A. W. Rolker's account of "Wild Animal Trapping."

Contentment gives a crown where fortune hath denied it.—Ford.

A BARREL ...OF SALT

[Original.]

"Did you ever think?" said Golightly to his friend Quackenbos, "what a little thing will turn a man's destiny? I know a man whose present condition of wealth and head of a family, all he is, came from the overturning of a barrel of salt."

"I don't believe it, Golightly, but I am ready to hear about it."

"Let me see. You know the man, and I don't want to give you his name till after you have heard the story; then we'll see if you can guess who he is. For the present his name is Tomkins. When he was a youngster he studied medicine and on graduation settled in a suburban place where there were people of all degrees from millionaires to washerwomen. At the end of the first month he had not had a patient, so he resolved to go somewhere else. The day before his intended departure a liveried servant hurried into his office and said that Miss Buckman's favorite saddle horse was dying and would he waive professional repugnance at doing a veterinary's work and go to see the animal.

"Tomkins needed money to square up before leaving, so he concluded to make a veterinary of himself for that once. When he reached the stable yard there stood a girl of twenty, pretty as a picture, evidently much distressed, watching a horse lying on his side.

" 'Oh, doctor,' she said on learning of the groom who he was, 'if you will only cure Bob I'll love you forever!'

"Of course she was so rattled she didn't know what she was saying, but somehow it came to the doctor that he would cure Bob and the girl would love him forever. It takes a young man, you know, to build castles out of air. He went up to the horse that was gasping for life, but before the doctor could get anything down the beast's throat he collapsed, and there he lay with his tongue hanging out, dead. At least if he wasn't dead there are no appearances by which a horse can be known to be dead.

"The girl gave Tomkins an appealing look. 'Please do something for my poor Bob, doctor,' she pleaded, with blanched cheeks. 'I love him better than all the world. If you'll only cure him I'll make it up to you in some way. Do, doctor, try. Don't give up.'

"What could Tomkins do? A dead horse on one hand and a tearful girl on the other. He pretended to work on Bob by rubbing here, feeling there, pouring a mixture of bran and water down his throat—he had nothing else—but it was no use; the horse was dead as a doornail. Tomkins wouldn't own it to the young lady, but told her to go in the house and he would remain to observe and take advantage of the first sign of returning consciousness.

" 'Don't leave us, doctor,' she pleaded. 'Remain all night. Your room will be on the second story, back, where you can look down on the stable yard.'

"Tomkins declared he would never leave Bob so long as there was any hope, and the young lady dragged herself away and into the house, looking back often to see if Bob had come to life. Tomkins remained by the horse till a servant came out and said that if the doctor felt that he could leave the invalid he was to come in to dinner. Of course Tomkins could leave a dead horse, so he went in to dinner, but broke away after a hasty meal to avoid the storm of questions as to the horse's chances of getting well. He had promised to stay all night. Besides, the more time he spent the bigger bill he could make for services, so at 11 o'clock he told the hostler that if Bob showed signs of life to call him and went to bed. The hostler knew as well as Tomkins that Bob was dead, so he went to bed, too, leaving poor Bob's body where it lay in the stable yard. But before retiring he telephoned the town scavenger to come the next morning to remove the carcass.

"Tomkins hadn't ever slept on such a downy bed before, so he didn't wake up the next morning till late. Then he took a bath, dressed and before going downstairs drew up the window shade to have a look at the corpse.

"No miracle ever astonished any one as the sight he saw astonished Tomkins. There was the whole family in the stable yard and Bob up on his four legs eating sugar out of Miss Buckman's hand. The doctor didn't stop to deliberate on the cause of the remarkable resurrection, but pulled himself together and went down without the least appearance of surprise.

" 'Oh, doctor,' cried Miss Buckman, 'can one ever repay you?'

" 'My dear young lady,' said the doctor evasively, 'at no time in my professional career have I been so pleased at saving a human patient as I am now at saving your horse.'

"After looking Bob over and seeing that he was in excellent health the doctor whispered to the hostler:

" 'When did he get up?'

" 'Don't know, doctor,' replied the man and ran to the gate to head off the scavenger who was coming to remove the corpse.

"Well, Tomkins got the secret of the horse's recovery from a stable boy. The boy had shortly before overturned a barrel of salt where the horse's head rested. The tongue, hanging out, had come in contact with the salt. Then the horse, having been revived, licked it, and it proved to be what he needed. Tomkins married the grateful girl and is today a successful practitioner. Now, Quakenbos, guess who he is."

"You. Your story is well enough, but fate only required that you should meet the young lady for a sure case of mutual love. The overturned salt had nothing to do with it."

"Not at all. I maintain that all I am is due to a barrel of salt."

WALLACE FLOYD LINDLEY.

The Novelist's Quandary.

"Scribbler is in trouble."

"What about?"

"He has written a novel and selected a name for it. His publisher likes the name, but says it does not suit the book, and he can't decide whether to write a new novel or invent a new name."—Brooklyn Life.

Some Differences.

"The difference between a woman and a glass," said the funny fellow, "is that the glass reflects without speaking, while a woman speaks without reflecting."

"And the difference between you and a glass," said the sharp girl, "is that the glass is polished."

Out of His Line.

Crawfoot—I say, if you are so smart at problems, tell me how far off thunder is when you hear the first roll.

Calculator—I can't do that, sir. Crawfoot—You can't? Calculator—No; I'm the lightning calculator.

Why He Wanted Him.

"Let's ask Easy Mark to sit in with us at our next game."

"Why, I didn't know he could play poker."

"He can't."—Houston Post.

CARD—To all those who by kind words and deeds have shown their friendship and sympathy in my recent affliction, I wish to extend sincere thanks.

JAMES KNOX.

Palmer, January 27, 1905.

CARD—We wish to thank our neighbors and friends who by their kind and loving words and deeds have helped us to bear our sorrow in the weeks that have passed.

MRS. J. A. PALMER.
MR. AND MRS. H. W. GIFFIN.

Palmer, Jan. 26, 1905.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Best Made.

"In my opinion Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best made for colds," says Mrs. Cora Walker of Porterville, California There is no doubt about its being the best. No other will cure a cold so quickly. No other is so sure a preventive of pneumonia. No other is so pleasant and safe to take. These are good reasons why it should be preferred to any other. The fact is that few people are satisfied with any other after having once used this remedy For sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

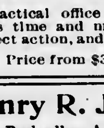
LOTS MORE LIKE IT.

Plenty More Proof Like This, And All From Palmer People.

No chance for argument here.
No better proof can be bad.
What a Palmer woman says
Is the best evidence for Palmer people.
Read this case.
We have lots more like it.

Mrs. J. M. Barton, of the boarding house at 10 South Main street, says:—"I have as great faith in Doan's Kidney Pills to-day as I had three years ago when I procured them from LeGro's drug store and took a course of the treatment. Before I used them I had been troubled with a pain through my loins and kidneys. Going up or down stairs hurt me and made my back feel lame and sore. If I even sat in one position for any length of time my back ached badly. I commenced the use of Doan's Kidney Pills and they relieved me entirely of the trouble. I always recommend them to my friends. My husband has used Doan's Ointment and thinks it is a fine remedy. It almost instantly relieves any itchiness of the skin. Doan's Ointment and Doan's Kidney Pills do all that is claimed for them."

For sale by all dealers, price 50 cents, Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.



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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. HAMPDEN SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer in said county, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Town House at Four Corners in said Palmer on Monday, the 30th day of January, A. D. 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m., then and there to act on the following articles viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money additional to amounts already appropriated for the support of poor and for incidental expenses connected therewith.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money additional to amounts already appropriated for teachers' salaries and for other expenses connected with the maintenance of the public schools.

ART. 4. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the current municipal year, the same to be paid from said taxes.

ART. 5. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money not to be paid from the taxes of the current municipal year.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to cover the deficit in the appropriation for a card system for the work of the assessors.

ART. 7. To choose committees and to hear and act on reports of the same.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to cover the deficit in the appropriation for the construction of the Thorndike Grammar School Building.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to adopt a by-law relative to the collection of rags and junk or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the different public places designated by the vote of the Town, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting, and cause this warrant to be printed in the Palmer Journal at least two issues before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 20th day of January, A. D. 1905.

JOHN F. TWISS, } Selectmen
CHAS. T. BRAINERD, } of Palmer.

TO Charles R. Shaw, and to any and all persons interested in the real estate hereinafter described: Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Charles R. Shaw to Charles O. Walker, said deed being dated July 25, 1903, and recorded with Hampden County Deeds, libro 673, folio 64, for breach of the condition thereof, and for the purpose of foreclosing said mortgage, the said Charles O. Walker will sell at public auction, on the premises near the dwelling now occupied by the mortgagor, on Saturday, February 18, 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, said premises being described in said mortgage deed as follows:

"Beginning and bounded northerly on land now or formerly of Christopher Boyle, George Gould and others; westerly by land formerly of John Strickland; southerly on land formerly of John Shaw; easterly by land formerly of Elbridge Blair, it being the estate of the late Samuel Shaw, decease, and is the homestead which I now occupy, containing 320 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Michael McBride to myself dated April 25, 1871, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 280, Page 395, and containing 55 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a warranty deed from Elizabeth Cox, bounded easterly by my other land and land of T. & L Brown; northerly, westerly and southerly by said Browns, containing 64 acres more or less, said deed dated March 9. 1869, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 267, Page 180. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer, fully described in a warranty deed from O. B. Owen, dated October 27, 1865 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 238, Page 26. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Mary A. Bliss and others, dated November 23, 1863, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 236, Page 276. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a Quitclaim deed from Martin Shaw to Samuel Shaw, dated January 14, 1848, and entered for record in Hampden County Deeds on June 4th, 1898. Also the estate situate in said Palmer and fully described in two deeds from Alfred K. Shaw and others, dated January 21 and 22, 1869, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, that dated January 21, in Book 267, Page 181, and that dated January 22, in Book 413, Page 169 Also another parcel of land situate in said Palmer and containing 8 acres more or less, situate north of the "Merrick Lot," meaning and intending hereby to convey my whole estate as described in aforesaid deeds wheresoever situated and howsoever bounded and described. Excepting and reserving therefrom a certain tract of land sold by me to Packard and Lawton by my warranty deed dated December 12th, 1901, and also one other tract sold by me to Arthur F Thayer by my warranty deed dated January 27th, 1903 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 654, Page 442."

The sale will be made subject to all unpaid taxes and assessments, if any. Three hundred dollars will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale.

44-3 CHARLES O. WALKER.
By J. H. Schoonmaker his Attorney.
Palmer, Mass , January 20, 1905.

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More New Silks Added For Another Week of Extraordinary Bargains.

The great values which we offered last week in the newest spring Silks met with enthusiastic appreciation, and set a new high mark for January selling. This week we are determined to make a still greater record, and have provided values that justify us in expecting success in our attempt.

We have added several thousand yards of the finest black Silks made in America, all new goods, of perfect texture and beautiful luster, at prices so low that they positively cannot be matched for equal qualities. They embrace all the weaves that are in demand for the coming season, in weights adapted for every purpose.

23-inch BLACK TAFFETA SILK, wear guaranteed—Record Price, a yard ... 59c
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36-inch BLACK TAFFETA SILK, wear guaranteed—Record Price, a yard ... $1.00
36-inch BLACK TAFFETA SILK, wear guaranteed, extra quality—Record price, a yard ... $1.09
19-inch BLACK PEAU DE SOIE—Regular Price, a yard, 69c and... 59c
27-inch BLACK PEAU DE SOIE, extra quality—Record Price, a yard ... 79c
36-inch BLACK PEAU DE SOIE, extra quality—Record Price, a yard ... $1.00
19-inch BLACK PEAU DE CYGNE—Record Price, a yard, 79c, 69c and ... 59c
27-inch BLACK PEAU DE CYGNE—Record Price, a yard ... $1.00
23-inch BLACK CREPE DE CHINE, the same splendid quality that we sold such quantities of last week—Record Price, a yard ... 79c
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Now $4.95—Mohair Shirt Waist Suits, in black and navy blue; formerly $9.50.

Now $7.50—Velveteen Shirt Waist Suits, in navy blue and black; also Shirt Waist Suits of woolen mixed goods, in navy, brown, green and black; formerly $12.50 and $16.50.

Now $12.50—Silk Shirt Waist Suits, in navy, black, green and checks; formerly $18.50 to $22.50.

Forbes & Wallace, Springfield, Mass.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures OF THE County of Hampden

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury December 31st, 1903		$16,650.21
Received County Tax of 1904 in full	$165,000.00	
Temporary Loans	100,000 00	
Loan and interest on Chicopee and West Springfield bridge account	2,514 93	
Interest	985 68	
Sheriff fines, costs and fees	741.33	
Police and District Courts	3 334 50	
Clerk of Courts fees	3,966 75	
Register of Deeds fees	6,634 70	
Naturalization fees	1,547 00	
Jailer and Master, labor of prisoners	5,320 63	
Jailer and Master, board of prisoners	7.60	
Jailer and Master, sundries	511.58	
Board of Truants	2,856 32	
Peddlers' Licenses	102 00	
Dog Licenses and Fines	14,345 60	
Miscellaneous	42.53	
		$307,911.15
		$324,561.36

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Interest	$ 8,659.81	
Debts and Loans	125,000 00	
Salaries of County Officers	15,110 40	
Salaries of Clerical Assistants	6,535.48	
Salaries and Expenses of Police and District Courts	23,585 61	
Salaries, Care and Support of Prisoners	26,802 98	
Criminal Costs in Superior Court	4,286.58	
Civil Expenses in Supreme and Superior Courts	17,772 00	
Transportation of County Commissioners	107 21	
Medical Examiners and Insanity Cases	5,672 60	
Auditors, Masters and Referees	3,029 86	
Repairing, Furnishing, etc., County Buildings	6,549.74	
Care, Fuel, Lights, Supplies, etc., in County Buildings other than Jail and House of Correction	9,846 96	
Highways and Land Damages	11,648 95	
Law Library	2,213 98	
Truant School	5,777.55	
Miscellaneous Expenses	4,747.95	
Dog Damages and Dog Money Refunded	14,631.81	
On account Chicopee and West Springfield Bridge	2,009 29	
Bounty on Wild Cats	75.00	
Mount Tom Reservation	2,400.00	
		$296,263.76
Balance in Treasury Dec. 31, 1904		28,297.60
		$324,561.36

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT UNDER DOG LAWS.

Received from Dog Licenses and Fines	$14,345.60	
Paid Damages	1,369.15	
Amount to be Repaid Cities and Towns		$12,976.45

SINKING FUND ACCOUNT.

Amount of Fund December 31st, 1903		$147,772.83
Received Interest	$ 4,308.43	
Transfer from County Treasury	25,000.00	29,308 43
		$177,081.26
Paid Accrued Interest on 10 Hampden County Bonds		82 50
Amount of Fund December 31, 1904		$176,998.76

THE FUND IS INVESTED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

134 Hampden County Bonds, $1,000.00 each	$134,000.00	
23 C. B. & Q. R. R Bonds, $1,000.00 each	23,000.00	
Amount Deposited in Banks	19,998.76	
		$176,998.76

RESOURCES OF THE COUNTY.

Balance in Treasury	$ 28,297 60	
Amount of Sinking Fund	176,998.76	
		$205,296.36

LIABILITIES OF THE COUNTY.

Sundry Persons on Awards for Land Damages	$ 123 66	
Due Commonwealth on account of State Highways	9,368 68	
200 Bonds Payable to Bearer, due Aug. 1st, 1905	200,000 00	
Note to Springfield Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Chicopee and West Springfield Bridge Account	2,500.00	
		$211,992.34

Springfield, Mass., December 31st, 1904.

M. WELLS BRIDGE, County Treasurer.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and statements of the County Treasurer and find them correct.

J. M. SICKMAN, }
W. H. BRAINERD, } County Commissioners.
J. H. HENDRICK, }

Dr. S. H. Ellery,

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"Conductor," said the timid lady, "ain't you 'feared o' being killed by the 'lectricity in these here cars?" "No, ma'am," replied the man, as he pocketed four fares and rung up two. "I'm not exactly a good conductor."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

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When a woman is mad with her husband it is unlucky for the next one of her children that has to be spanked.—New York Press.

"There isn't very much to eat," said the Eskimo hostess, as she handed a candle to each guest. "Just light refreshments."—Town Topics.

Fuddy—"I hear that Timson has had an addition to his family." Duddy—"Yes, his wife's mother, a nurse, a trained nurse and a girl baby."—Boston Transcript.

"Why is the ocean so restless?" queried the fair passenger. "Well," replied the gallant captain, "one could hardly expect it to rest easy with so many rocks in its bed."

A faithful friend. Jones (who is broke)—"I have one faithful friend left." Brown (also broke)—"Who is it?" Jones—"My pipe. I can still draw on that."—Town Topics.

Suspicious. Julia—"Is it thrue, mum, the master's give up drinkin'?" Mistress—"Yes; but why do you ask?" Julia—"Nuthin', mum; only the cloves be goin' faster than iver."—Pick-Me-Up.

Opposites. Miss McQueery—"You and Mr. Sophtly correspond, do you not?" Mrss Gidday—"Oh, gracious, no! He's real dark complexioned while I'm quite a decided blonde, of course."—Philadelphia Press.

Typewriter—"Couldn't you manage to lighten my work. I'm not so strong as I was formerly." Employer—"All right. Hereafter don't hit the keys so hard and only lick the stamps in the corners."—New York Mail and Express.

An insinuation. Softleigh—"When I stand on my head the blood rushes to my head, doesn't it?" Hardleigh—"Certainly." Softleigh—"Now, when I stand on my feet, why doesn't the blood rush to my feet?" Hardleigh—"Probably because your feet are not hollow."—Exchange.

Husband—"My dear, did you notice that gentlemen who just got off the car?" Wife—"Do you mean that dark, heavy-set man in the light gray suit, brown derby hat and low tan shoes, wearing a turn-down collar with narrow black tie and diamond pin, carrying a book and a silk umbrella with a heavy gold mounted handle?" Husband—"Y-yes, I guess——" Wife—"No, I didn't notice him. Why?"—Exchange.

One day two dudes were walking down Liberty street, when they saw Mike coming. One said: "Yonder comes Mike. Let's have some fun out of him." The other agreed. When they met him they said, "Good morning, Mike." "Good morning to you," said Mike. "Mike, have you heard the news?" "No," answered Mike. "I haven't seen the late paper yet. What is the news?" "Why, the devil is dead." "Is that so," said Mike, reaching his hand down in his pocket and taking out a dollar, gave each half. They looked at each other in surprise, and both exclaimed, "What is this for?" Mike said, "In the old country, when the head of the family dies, they always give the orphans some money."

THE FORBIDDEN PATH

By IZOLA FORRESTER

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"It's a perfect shame. Look at that lawn! Cut right straight across from the lilacs to the sidewalk, as if we kept a little chain gang of elephants trotting over it. I won't have it, Nell! I'll turn the hose on those boys!"

"Don't jabber over it, Kit. You'll only get all red and warm and fussy, and some one may hear you."

Kit scowled defiantly at the broad bay window of the house next door. The shades were lowered and the blinds half closed. On one window sill a plump tortoise shell cat dozed comfortably. Peace evidently reigned within, and it was the habitation of the enemy.

"I don't care who hears me. Whoever hears"— Kit raised her voice ever so little, just enough to carry over the tortoise shell cat. "They must know all about it anyway. How would they like it if we trampled paths all over their lawn day and night?"

"There comes one of them." Nell paused in her sweeping on the little vine covered porch and waited anxiously. "Now, don't be huffy, sis."

Kit sat immovable in the dandelion starred grass and watched the coming boy with disapproving, menacing eyes. He was rather a nice boy to look at, too, somewhere around fifteen, and he whistled as he came along the sidewalk in front of the Norton cottage. There was a break in the low box hedge, made by vandals, but this vandal disdained it and added insult to injury by jumping over the hedge and boldly starting across the path.

"How do, Miss Norton?" he called cheerily. "Pretty hot today, isn't it?"

"Say, Dick McLean, we don't want you three boys tramping over our lawn." Kit spoke with dignity and severity. "It makes a regular beaten path all the way to your lilacs, and I think you could use your own lawn if you want to make a checkerboard on the grass."

Dick halted midway on the forbidden way and looked at its undeviating course of barrenness with interest.

"It does look queer," he said. "I'm awfully sorry we did it. When old Mrs. Tisdale lived here she didn't give a rap about it. It wasn't a lawn then. She just hung up her wash here, and she kept chickens too."

"Well, we don't," retorted Kit most ungraciously. "Ever since we moved here I've been trying to coax a real croquet lawn out of a wilderness of chickweed and plantain. We only had the hedge put in as a gentle hint to our neighbors"—

"You mean us, don't you?" Dick smiled down on her good naturedly.

"Yes, I do," granted Kit, "because it really was all the fault of you boys, and you don't care. You even jump right over the hedge."

Dick got over on his own side hastily. "Well, I'm sorry I jumped, Miss Norton," he said contritely. "And I'll tell the other boys to keep off too. Goodby."

Kit's curly head nodded an unwilling response as she bent over the pansy bed again.

"He heard every word." Nell sat down on the top step and laughed.

"How do you know?"

"The cat went indoors, and she never does unless he is at the desk."

There was a pause, and the pansies suffered from too vigorous treatment.

"Well, I don't care if he did," said Kit finally, but her tone was lower. "If they don't stop it I'll put up barb wire."

It was not an idle threat, though it needed provocation to carry it out. Two days later, just at noon, a happy, leisurely procession passed over the lawn. Even Dick, the traitor, was leading and whistling in sweet forgetfulness, with a baseball bat over his shoulder. Kit said nothing. The point had arrived where mere wrath was futile. Early on Saturday morning she superintended the placing of her outposts of defense, and by the time that the boys appeared a neat array of barb wire strands were stretched along beside the hedge.

"It's all right for the boys," said Nell critically. "But what if Mr. McLean"—

"If he can't make his little brothers behave, then we will. It's bad enough living next door to a perfect old crank, on your summer vacation anyway, without being on intimate terms with him. Even mother says he's eccentric, and that means crank."

"He doesn't look like one."

"Well, he is, all the same. All writers are cranks, and the more successful they get the crankier they are, so Mr. Kirke Ross McLean must be a terror. And he doesn't write books, either; not real books. He only travels and writes; doesn't make up a thing out of his own head."

Nell did not answer. She was looking over at the cool, darkened bay window and thinking of the figure beyond the tortoise shell cat, a figure that, sitting at the broad, flat top desk near the window, sometimes turned to gaze over the hedge where the pansies grew and the croquet balls clicked.

"Just you wait," said Kit, following her glance. "Some day those boys will forget and take a run over that path and tumble in the wire, and we'll see a double twister turned."

Sunday evening supper was a matter of individual vagary and caprice so far as the Norton family was concerned. Molly went home after dinner, Mrs. Norton went upstairs for a cozy nap about twilight, and the girls usually took iced tea and salad sandwiches out on the porch, where they could lie in the hammocks, a book in one hand and a sandwich in the other, safely screened from prying eyes by the wistaria vines. The Sunday following the putting up of the wire the hammocks were occupied, when some one came along the sidewalk with a quick, firm tread and deliberately walked through the broken place in the hedge and across the path.

Kit gave a smothered exclamation and sat up, but before she could speak there was the sound of a fall at the barb wire guard, and the girls rose with frightened, yet half laughing, faces.

"Hello!" called Kit gently. "Are you hurt?"

There was no response for a minute, then some one answered in a strange voice:

"I beg your pardon, but would you mind ringing our bell and calling the boys? My foot is twisted, and I cannot stand up."

An hour later Kit stood guiltily at the head of the steps as her mother and Nell came slowly from the house next door.

"Will he be sick long?"

"About a month before he can walk," said Mrs. Norton. "It is too bad. And he is a very delightful person to meet; not at all eccentric. He takes the blame entirely and says he is worse than the boys and that we were perfectly right in putting up the wire."

"That's what he said to you, mothcrie, darling," interposed Nell disconsolately. "He probably thinks that Kit and I are heathens."

"Barbarous heathens," Kit smiled wickedly.

"This is far from being a joke, Kutherine," said Mrs. Norton. "I am afraid you must both do penance by being as kind as possible. Of course he is a—a"—

"Crank?"

"A celebrity," corrected her mother. "We may find him odd, but after this misfortune we must do our best to make him comfortable. I told him you would take turns in bringing him flowers."

"Well, I won't, motherie," said Kit flatly. "I'm sorry he hurt himself, but I'm not a bit sorry I put up the fence, and I don't want to be forgiven."

In the days that followed they could see the strong, patient figure sitting in the shady corner of the veranda next door. Nell carried the first propitiatory bunch of roses over to the enemy's country. She brought back a good report, and after a week of disinterested indifference Kit suddenly announced her intention of being flower bearer to his majesty. She found him a totally disabled, rather sarcastic majesty.

"So you're the young woman who set the trap, are you, Miss Kit? And you're not a bit sorry?"

"I'm sorry I came over to see you." Kit stood erect, very haughty, very sweet and very young. "I only brought the flowers."

"And you didn't expect to be scolded?" She knew he was laughing at her. "Please sit down. Don't you know I've been hoping every day to have you visit me and beg my pardon?"

"I won't do any such thing." She met his eyes defiantly. "You hadn't the least right to cross there, only—only I meant it for the boys, of course." Her glance fell to his swathed foot. "I'm sorry you were hurt."

"That will do very well." He was laughing openly now. "It covers the personal side for me, you see. You're not sorry you hurt me, but you're sorry I'm hurt. Please sit down and talk to a fellow, won't you?"

Kit hesitated, flushed warmly under his teasing gaze and took a seat on the hickory settee.

Four weeks later McLean took his first walk. It was a slow, tedious one from the veranda to the hedge.

"I came halfway for my roses today," he said to the figure in white beside the rosebushes. "May I come over the hedge?"

Kit did not even turn her head.

"Are you angry?" His voice was low and eager. "After last evening I was afraid you might not come again, Kit."

She turned and walked toward him slowly, the bunch of roses held close to her face. At the hedge she looked up at him, and the merriment had died from her eyes.

"I was just coming," she said softly.

His hands closed over those that held the roses.

"To say 'Yes,' sweetheart?"

"Look out for the barbed wire, Mr. McLean," called Nell from the sitting room window. "Kit still guards her forbidden path."

"All wires down!" called McLean. "It's the path of roses now. I claim the right of way."

The Hangman's Stone.

There is a large bowlder lying in a field near Foremark, England, which is known throughout Derbyshire as "hangman's stone." The exposed portion of the bowlder rises about six feet above the surface of the surrounding field and has a narrow ditch or indentation running across the top. The mark, so tradition says, was made in this way: A sheep thief in the dead of night, while leaning against the bowlder to rest, placed his booty above on the flat surface of the stone. The man had the sheep tied with a rope, and in its effort to escape the creature slipped on the opposite side, and the rope, catching under the thief's chin, choked him to death. The indentation in the rock was made by the friction of the rope while the dying man was engaged in an effort to extricate himself.

A Vicious Dig.

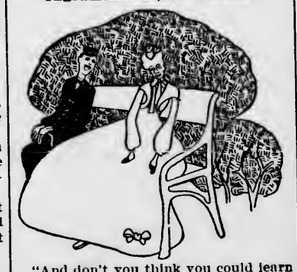
He (closing the discussion)—At any rate I mind my own business.

She (bitterly)—No doubt that's what makes you so narrow minded.

Revenge Is Sweet.

Fly—Hooray! Here's where I get revenge!—San Francisco Examiner.

Ungrammatical, but Sincere.



"And don't you think you could learn to love me?"

"I—I—don't know."

"If you could learn to love me I should love to learn you too."—Chicago Tribune.

EQUAL TO THE EMERGENCY

By FRANK H. SWEET

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Two of the trains had already pulled up the company's wharf to the main line, and a third was sending out its last signalling whistle when a girl hurried down track 9 with a basket covered by a napkin, evidently containing a lunch.

Messenger 16 was swaying unsteadily at the open door of a car, and the girl went straight to him, her eyes bright, her cheeks flushed. But as she drew near she suddenly recoiled, a look of terror coming to her face.

"Ben," her white lips tried to say, but no sound came from them.

The man passed a hand across his brow weakly, holding to the car by the other. The girl went a step nearer.

"What does it mean?" Her voice quivered hoarsely. "Oh, Ben!"

Something of the agony in the cry seemed to penetrate the man's dulling brain, for a tremor went through him and he straightened suddenly, as though by a great effort. The dull eyes opened and shut heavily, and again the hand passed across the forehead as though to force some intelligence into the clogged brain. Then:

"D-don't speak like that, girlie," an unrecognizable voice mumbled. "I'm not drunk. I never drank a drop in my life. You know I—speak—true. It's a d-r-ug," his voice drifting back again into the stupor.

The girl was beside him with a swift movement, the basket thrust into the car, her hands placed firmly upon his shoulders, her eyes close and gazing straight into his, lovingly, compellingly.

"Ben," the voice forcing itself into clearness and steadiness, "look at me now, hard. What is it? Think!"

The man made a supreme effort.

"It was messenger 12—Timson, you know."

She knew. She had refused Timson's love.

"He offered me a drink of water, and I took it. Then he crossed to track 3 and jumped on board his train. It was the one that just pulled out."

"But what did he do it for?"

"Don't you understand, Delia?" a sharp agony quivering in the voice. "This trip was to furnish the money for our wedding. Timson knew it. He planned it just before my train starts, so I will lose the trip. There is no time to find a substitute. My train will go without me, and the company will be angry and discharge me for drunkenness, and—and"—his eyes again becoming dull and his form swaying more heavily—"and I'm losing myself. I can't see you. Quick, girlie, find the manager and tell him it isn't drink. A—a discharged messenger cannot get work anywhere."

He lurched forward and would have fallen, but she caught him in her strong, supple arms.

A quick glance both ways showed no one was in sight. The fruit train on track 5 was just leaving the wharf, and 6 was sounding its last warning call. Half carrying and half leading him, she hurried messenger 16 to the nearest entrance, only a few yards away. Several drays were standing about waiting for a job. She motioned imperiously to the owner of the nearest.

"Listen, Ben," she said slowly, putting her lips close to the ears of the now almost insensible man in an effort to make him hear and comprehend. "I am going to send you home. You mustn't worry a bit. I will fix it all right." He was holding his train papers tightly, and she unclasped them gently from his fingers. Then as the drayman came forward: "Take this man to his home at once, 12 Rue Citronelle. Here is a dollar."

Inside, she again glanced sharply around. A man was running in her direction, heading toward the rear of the train. She recognized him as a friend of Ben's.

"Hello, Miss Delia!" he called. "Come to see Ben off again, have you? He's a lucky dog. But you must excuse my hurry. This train pulls out in three minutes, and I must reach my section."

Delia could hear her heart thumping in its anxiety.

"Your section is in the rear, I suppose?" she questioned, with assumed carelessness.

"Yes"—over his shoulder—"the eighteen rear cars. I'm messenger 28. Ben has the forward twenty cars. I switch off at Memphis for Jefferson City and Ben goes on to Columbus."

As he hurried away Delia's face cleared. She had learned all she wanted to know. Placing her hands upon the floor of the car she gave a light spring and was within, sliding the door quickly behind her. A few moments later her own bell rang, and then the car began to move forward.

She had never been on a train before, never been out of New Orleans, but her father had been a messenger, and Ben had many times told her the details of his trip. She must manipulate the ventilators of her twenty cars so as to have the heat just right to bring the bananas to prime, marketable condition when she reached her destination. A few degrees too much either way might mean the loss of a good many thousand dollars to the company.

It was a hard trip, for the outside thermometer rose from 31 degrees to 70 degrees in six hours, and the next morning was back again to 31 degrees and falling. It meant a constant shifting of the ventilators, with an impossibility of keeping the car thermometers from fluctuating uneasily. Zero weather would have been infinitely preferable, for then the ventilators could have remained closed and the fruit would generate enough heat of its own. That night and the next day Delia did not trust herself to sit down once, for fear she might get drowsy and momentarily relax her vigilance. Too much depended upon obtaining the best results just now.

She was careful to keep herself out of sight, and this she was able to do the more readily on account of the fruit train making few stops. At Memphis the rear section was switched off to connect with a train west, and her own was attached to a train which had just pulled in from Galveston, the engine returning to New Orleans with a lot of empty cars.

A few hours later, at a watering stop, the new conductor caught sight of her as he was hurrying along the train. She was just sliding the door, but too late.

"Hello," he cried, pausing; "a woman—tramp!"

Delia slid back the door.

"No, sir," she answered quietly, holding up the papers she had taken from Ben. "I am in charge of this section. I haven't had a chance to see you before."

The conductor gave a long whistle which ended in an apologetic cough. But his face lengthened visibly.

"What's the company thinking of?" he ejaculated hotly. "Next we know girls will be put in as conductors and brakemen and engineers." And he hurried away, still choking resentfully.

Seven days later Delia entered the company's office at New Orleans. The manager himself happened to be in, and he seemed to recognize her by the papers she carried in her hand. He came forward quickly. But at that moment a figure which had been lounging about the street door—a white, anxious faced man, who had been peering into the office most of the time for the last eight days—also saw her and rushed in. She turned to him first.

"How are you, Ben?" she asked eagerly. "All right?"

"Yes, yes! But you? What have you been up to, girlie? The office has been full of talk."

The manager was beside them now.

"Is this Miss Delia?" he inquired.

"Yes, sir. Here are the receipts your commission agents gave me. They said the fruit was in prime condition."

The manager glanced over the papers hurriedly.

"Yes, yes; they're all right," he said. "But we knew that before. Our agents wired us that the fruit was in the very best condition—as good as they had ever received. I—I hardly know what to do about this. It's a most untoward thing and should receive our severest censure, and yet you did as well as our very best messenger—better almost. I suppose we shall have to pass it over. But such a thing must never happen again. No," as her gaze went inquiringly toward Ben, "we have not discharged him. He may go on the next trip. And you—well, it was a most untoward thing, but I suppose you did the best you could under such short notice. You may stop at the cashier's window for your money, and—yes, there's a little recognition for you there also. You saved us from a possible great loss. But remember the recognition is accompanied by our most severe censure."

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One pound of grated bread, one and a quarter pounds of grated suet, one pound of raisins, one pound of brown sugar, twelve eggs, well beaten; two wineglassfuls of brandy, one-quarter pound of citron, cut fine. Mix all these the night before. In the morning before putting it in the cloth stir two tablespoonfuls of wheat flour, beat the cloth and sprinkle with flour. Tie tightly and boil four hours. Put a plate turned on the under part in the pot under the pudding, add cinnamon and nutmeg if liked.

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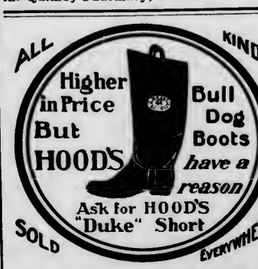

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[Original.]

A generation ago, while traveling, I was obliged to spend a Sunday in a small town. In the morning after breakfast to kill time I strolled into the country. Spring was coming on, the sun was shining warm and bright, the birds were singing and the buds opening. Passing a cemetery, I turned in at the open gate. In one corner a man and a boy of perhaps four years of age were looking over a group of headstones of uniform style. I sauntered to where they were and saw at a glance that they marked the graves of soldiers who had died in Union armies during the civil war. I spoke to the man, asking for information, and he told me that the spot had been set apart by the authorities and as many bodies of the country's soldier boys as possible brought back and interred there.

"There's Jack Kilburn," he said, pointing. "He and I enlisted on the same day. Over there lies Gordon Whitcomb, who was shot down beside me at Shiloh. Tom Porter, just beyond, died in hospital, all chums of mine."

I noticed a headstone on which was cut:

RAYMOND HALL.
He Died For the Girl He Loved.

"It looks as though there might be a story behind that epitaph," I remarked.

"That? Oh, no! Only a plain incident." Then, unconscious that he was giving a romance, he told me the incident:

"Those were exciting days when we fellows marched away to the tune of 'The Girl I Left Behind Me,' and the worst of it was that several of us were leaving behind the same girl. She was the belle of the town, and we were all in love with her. But there was no chance for more than one, the one the girl loved, though there were two who led all the rest. These two were Raymond Hall and another fellow who—well—the other fellow was Jim Martin. Hall was desperately in love with the girl, but it was the other fellow who had taken her fancy—nobody knew why, for Hall was certainly the better man of the two. He didn't know that his rival had got ahead of him till after the regiment got down into Kentucky. Then he saw letters coming in for Jim Martin addressed in a hand that he recognized.

"In some people love seems to work like a disease. I mean those cases you read about in the newspapers where they kill themselves or the one they love, or sometimes a rival. Hall suffered like one of these, but he didn't kill anybody. He exposed himself recklessly when we were under fire, and it looked as if he were trying to get himself killed, but no one knew whether he was or not, for he was a reticent fellow and kept his own secret. Only his rival knew what he was going through, and he couldn't very well help knowing, because Hall, though he acted square with him, couldn't conceal the fact that he regarded him as the cause of his trouble.

"Two years passed, two years of campaigning and hard fighting, during which the rivals fought shoulder to shoulder. Raymond always seemed to Jim to be resisting some terrible temptation, and in a fight when Hall was in his rear Martin felt uncomfortable. You see, they were in the same company, and under fire men get excited and sometimes kill a man in front.

"Well, in time the rivals were both taken prisoner in the same fight. While being transported south with other prisoners in a box car the whole car load took up some of the flooring and got out. Of course the guard went after them in hot haste, not stopping for a surrender when getting sight of one of them, but shooting him down as he ran. It happened that the rivals ran in the same direction and took refuge in some bushes very near together. Presently they heard a voice:

"'There's one of 'em down in those bushes.'

"'Jim,' said Raymond, speaking rapidly, 'I'm going to run for it.'

"'Don't you do it,' said Jim. 'They'll shoot you sure. If we lie low'—

"'The chances are they'll kill us both. They think there's only one here. I'll run and draw the fire. You live to go back and make the little girl happy.'

"There was no time for more words nor for any sort of a protest on Jim's part. A Confederate was coming with a cocked gun. Raymond jumped up and ran like a deer. There was a shot, and he dropped dead. Then the Confederate went back to his comrades.

"Martin lay low till all was quiet, then went out and found his rival dead. There's no use trying to tell how a man would feel at such a time. Just think of him having suspected his friend of wanting to kill him, and here he was dead that the girl he loved might be happy with his rival. Martin buried the body in a fence corner with a big tree directly north, noted the place to know it again, then set off on two weeks' skulking till he got into the Union lines. Soon after the grave was within our pickets, and Martin took up Hall's body and sent it north."

The man stopped speaking and, taking his little boy by the hand, was leading him away when I asked.

"Who placed the headstone?"

"The girl."

"And what became of the man who was saved for her?"

"He married her."

"Thank you for your story, Mr."—I gave him time to help me out.

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"Grandfather, I don't altogether like that hymn 'Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing.' I think it might be improved in meter and language and that it would be better if it were somewhat longer."

"Oh, indeed!" said Dr. Hawkes, reddening. "And pray, Robert, what improvements commend themselves to your precocious wisdom?"

"This is my improved version," said Robert. And he read aloud a very creditable hymn, after which he repeated the old version, saying innocently, "This one is crude and flat, don't you think so, grandfather?"

"Crude and flat, sir! Young puppy, it is mine! I wrote that hymn!"

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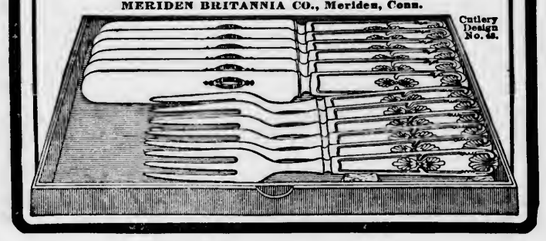

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HIGH SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPOINTED

Town to Have By-law Regulating Junk Collectors. By-laws to be Codified.

The special town meeting held on Monday was not largely attended, not more than half a hundred voters being present. T. J. Moran was chosen moderator. The overseers of the poor asked for $1500 for the support of poor, and $325 for their contingent account, and gave the reasons for the request as unusual necessary expenditures, coupled with the vote of the town last spring whereby the treasurer is forbidden to overdraw any appropriation; the sums asked were granted. The school committee asked for $1100 to meet expenses to March 1, additional teachers, janitors and fuel making that sum necessary; it also was granted. A deficiency in the amount needed for the installation of the card system for the assessors was met by the appropriation of $20, and $32 39 was appropriated to pay the last bills for the construction of the Thorndike schoolhouse. This made a total of $3277 39, and the treasurer was authorized to borrow $3300 not to *be paid from the taxes of the current municipal year.*

The matter of a new high school building was touched upon and a committee, consisting of W. H. Norton, R. L. Bond, C. P. Haynes, D. F. Dillon and G. M. Atkins was appointed to investigate the needs of the town in this line and report at the next town meeting. This committee will hold a meeting in the high school building to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock to consider the matter, when all citizens who have opinions as to what is best for the town so far as the high school is concerned are invited to be present and make their views known.

The town counsel was instructed to prepare a by-law relative to dealers in junk and present it at the next town meeting, and the town clerk was instructed to employ some suitable person at reasonable compensation to transcribe the records of all by-laws which the town has adopted, and of all votes having the force and meaning of by-laws.

DEER KILLED BY DOGS.

Two Big Hounds Caught in the Act at Monson.

A handsome buck deer about two years old and weighing about 140 pounds was so badly injured by dogs in Monson Sunday that it died. About 10 o'clock in the forenoon the 14-years-old son of James H. Duncan, living about half a mile from Flynt's store on the Hampden road, while in the barn, heard a noise like the bleating of a calf. He told his parents and with his father proceeded to investigate; they found two large hounds tearing the deer to pieces. The dogs at once left, and Mr. Duncan procured assistance and took the deer to the barn on a sled, but it died on the way. Word was sent to Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner Luman of Palmer, who with Deputy Healey made an investigation. On the way from the cars at Monson to Mr. Duncan's two large hounds were found and captured, both apparently pretty well fagged out as though from a long run, and one was covered with blood; at Mr. Duncan's they were identified as the ones found with the deer. The entire section nearly to the Connecticut line was searched for evidences of the ownership of the dogs, but nothing could be learned; the animals are yellow and white, and appear to be of the English or Southern foxhound species. They are not known in Monson, and it is said that no one in that section keeps that breed of dogs; it is possible that they may have come from Connecticut. When the deer was dressed it was found that it had been shot with No. 4 shot. The venison was ordered distributed among the citizens.

The deputies have been informed that the dog found chasing deer near Fosket's Mills recently is owned by Brimfield parties. Complaint has also been made that a shepherd dog was seen chasing a deer near the residence of Henry Osborne recently.

Thorndike Pool Match.

The second half of the pool match between the members of the S. M. T. A. S. and the Independents of Thorndike was played at Massie's pool room Monday evening. It was hotly contested from the fact that the first half of the match put the Temperance Society's team in the lead by a small margin and the Independents brought forward their best man in the opening game, Camile Pero representing the Independents and Charles E Walker representing the S. M. T. A. S. The result was a defeat for the society by a score of 100 to 63, placing the Independents in the lead again.

On Wednesday evening the tables were turned, when the match between T. F. Sullivan for the Society and Charles Bressette for the Independents took place. The result was a defeat for the Independents by a score of 100 to 77. Wednesday's match was played at the Temperance Club rooms and drew out a large attendance. Both sides had their backers on hand and many of the good plays on both sides were applauded. Sullivan now holds the lead in individual points, displacing Walker, who has held the lead since the opening of the contest some weeks ago.

The contest next Monday evening promises to be full of excitement. Thomas Longtine will represent the Independents, while M. F. Hurley will push the cue for the S M. T. A. S. The game will take place at Massie's pool room. Wednesday evening following, Daniel J. Sullivan for the society, and D. Bresette will be matched. The following is the summary:

S. M. T. A. S.

C. E. Walker,	229
D. J Sullivan,	74
T F. Sullivan,	240
P. Cahill Jr.,	71
W. C. Riley,	87
M. F. Hurley,	74
F. Longtine,	20
J. J. Mongeau,	40
P. Stokes,	100
M. F. Loftus,	100
Total,	1035

Independents.

C. Bressette,	195
T Longtine,	82
D. Bressette,	98
W. LaPlant,	76
Wm. Gingraw,	94
Alex Goodreau,	41
F. Gebo,	69
M. Stokes,	29
F. McIntire,	23
M. F. Sullivan,	87
Geo. LaPlante,	74
Camile Pero,	157
Total,	1016

In individual points T. F. Sullivan, C. Bressette, C. E. Walker and Camil Pero are high men. Wednesday evening's match will be played at the Temperance club-rooms, and is open to the public to witness without charge of admission.

ANENT THE TUCKER TRIAL.

Views of a Western Massachusetts Clergyman on the Case.

Rev. M. S. Howard of Wilbraham, who has been pastor of the First Congregational church of that place for more than 36 years, gave the following prelude to the sermon he preached to his congregation last Sunday morning:

The occurrences of the past three weeks in an Eastern Massachusetts court house, and especially of the last week, call for attention far beyond the jurisdiction of Middlesex county or even of the Commonwealth. This is no place to discuss decisions of judges, pleas of advocates or verdicts of juries. It is fair to presume that in a Massachusetts court room simple justice will be done by all concerned so far as human judgment can go, while we admit, as all must, that there is but one infallible assize. But even a humble man who knows next to nothing about law, who never was called to testify on the witness stand, who by his calling is exempt from the jury box, may have an opinion about certain things which stand out in such bold relief as to be most glaring and reprehensible.

A young man of twenty-three years is arraigned for a horrible crime. He is tried and condemned. Twelve men "good and true" as ever sat on such a case were unanimous in their opinion of his guilt. Three mortal weeks were spent in the sifting of evidence, in the statements of experts, and everything was done which talent and genius could devise to reach a just and true result.

The youth of the prisoner was in his favor. The crowds looked upon him with sympathy, and the majority—made up largely of women—were sure that one so handsome and pleasing in looks and manners could not be guilty of so atrocious a crime. In their pity for the suspected criminal they seemed to forget the stricken home of the victim, the aged father whose hope was slaughtered, the brother bereaved of a beloved sister by an assassin's knife; and what was more, and may I say it? worse, an outraged law that had been wantonly broken.

Was this young man, this little more than a mere boy, guilty? I do not know. The jury said he was, and the presiding judge in thanking them for their patient services said to them that for what they had done they would have no occasion ever to be sorry. There the case should rest. If there is anything more to be done let those who have the case in hand attend to their business. But the public do not seem inclined to let it rest there. The case was tried, and is being tried over again by an irresponsible court made up of women and cranks of the other sex whose sympathies have gained the victory over their judgment. The men to whom was committed the responsibility of saying "guilty" or "not guilty," twelve men of conscience as well as of heart, chosen out of a large number of men equally conscientious, twelve men "good and true" who could have no motive for bringing in an unfavorable verdict, have been treated with a disrespect which reflects dishonor on the whole Commonwealth which they for the time represented. It is reported that some of them, at least, have received scurrilous and even threatening letters of the most abusive kind, anonymous of course, that most contemptible of all cowardly meannesses of which some of us ourselves know something by experience.

If trial by jury is to be subjected to such treatment, what is to become of law and order in the state? It is incipient anarchy and if not checked by public sentiment in due time the tyranny of the populace will be supreme. The law must be honored at all hazards. And in order to do this, those who execute the laws—from the highest in office to the lowest—must be held for their positions' sake in a certain reverence and fear. We may not always agree with their judgment or the verdicts which they render, but there are right ways to rectify things and these must be resorted to for the safety of the Commonwealth and the real welfare of the people. Sympathy with criminals is one thing and a firm stand for justice and righteousness is another. We may pity the wrong doer, but to load him with flowers on the way to the scaffold or to send him billet doux to cheer him in his lonely cell is carrying the thing farther than good taste and a high sense of the fitness of things will warrant. Such things tend to popularize crime and make lawbreaking easy. Bad men must be made to see that murder and arson and highway robbery and crimes which cannot be named in public are offences which cannot be condoned, else who is safe in the community, and whose homes are safe?

My heart goes out in deepest commiseration for that poor mother who has so bravely stood by her boy in this painful and heart-rending tragedy; for that prostrate father who loved his son as only a father can love; for that elder brother who feels all the pitiful disgrace of the situation. Why will men do wrong when they bring by wrong-doing heartache and heart break on so many that are innocent? But crime must not be suffered to run riot. Lawlessness must not be allowed to have a loose rein. Prison cells and electric chairs are not agreeable objects of contemplation, but they may be a public necessity nevertheless, and so long as men set law at defiance the iron doors must grate on their hinges and the fatal noose must swing.

Perhaps in all the annals of crime for the last fifty years at least there has not occurred a sadder case than that which closed with its solemn verdict last Tuesday night, a few minutes past ten o'clock, when a blacker darkness than any without swept over that awed company waiting for the issue. But it would be even more sad if law in its august sanctions should fail to be honored, if the voice and cry of pity and sympathy should overreach and overmaster justice and righteousness, if tenderness of feeling towards one who had wilfully transgressed should override that grander sense which, with all there is of mercy in it, reigns in the heavens.

Narrow Escape For Family.

Mrs. John Lubelczyk and her five children of West street in Ware were nearly asphyxiated Tuesday morning by coal gas. Mr. Lubelczyk conducts a bakery in the basement of the house. One of the bakers filled up the furnace of the bakery with coal and soon after left the premises. A half-hour later when the fire had got well started another baker opened the door and left it so, allowing the gas from the furnace to go up through the whole house above. Mrs. Lubelczyk noticed the disagreeable odor, but did not realize what it was. Between 8 and 9, Josie and Mary, two of the children, fell to the floor unconscious. Dr. A. A. Auger was called and located the trouble at once. The windows were opened, the furnace closed and after a time the little ones were restored to their senses. In the afternoon the mother and all the children were in bed, suffering some effects from the inhaling of so much gas. They have since recovered entirely.

WANT THE ROAD OPENED.

Hampshire-Worcester Receiver Petitioned to Run Cars.

BIG INCREASE IN RATES OF FARES

Will be Satisfactory to Ware People if Only the Cars Will Run Again.

A petition was circulated about Ware Wednesday by A. H. Eldredge, which asks of G. S. Taft, receiver of the Hampshire and Worcester electric railway company, that the road be opened at the earliest possible moment on a basis of a 10-cent fare to Gilbertville, and a 20-cent fare to West Brookfield, until the present difficulty regarding the road be adjusted. Without any doubt the patrons are willing to pay this double fare or anything reasonable if only the cars be started, as the present inconvenience is so generally felt. It would seem quite likely that the petition and others like it from Gilbertville and West Brookfield patrons would meet with favorable consideration, providing the road could be cleared of the drifts that bury it now and threaten to become deeper, without too much expense. It is thought by many of those who signed the petition that a warmer spell of weather that will help to open the road without requiring the outlay of any money must be awaited and that with the winter storms well passed the receiver would favor the opening of the road on the basis of double fares.

BOWLING.

Three Rivers 2418, Pease Five 2172.

An interesting match was rolled in Tufts's alleys Saturday afternoon between the Three Rivers team and the Pease Five of Springfield. Three Rivers won by 246 points. The summary:

Three Rivers.

Frame,	170	140	169	479
Lavene,	154	137	145	436
Trickett,	180	108	153	441
Upham,	170	185	181	536
Story,	157	212	157	526
	821	782	805	2418

Pease Five.

Oppenheimer,	155	130	146	431
Harvey,	136	154	127	417
Skillings,	161	143	138	442
Peave,	133	111	143	387
Mathison,	164	156	175	495
	749	694	729	2172

George Nye & Co. 2392, Palmer 2316.

The Nyes of Springfield won from the Palmer team by 76 pins on Tufts's alleys last Monday night. The summary:

George Nye & Co.

Cole,	154	143	154	451
Stebbins,	146	132	148	426
Whipple,	179	139	159	477
Adams,	168	204	137	509
Foley,	180	138	211	521
	827	756	809	2392

Palmer.

Story,	167	172	136	475
Morrill,	145	129	171	445
Upham,	147	135	159	441
Roche,	139	173	168	480
Tufts,	159	170	146	475
	757	779	780	2316

Three Rivers 2516, Palmer 2261.

The Three Rivers team won four points from the Palmers on Tufts's alleys Tuesday night. The match was the second of a series; each team has now four points. The summary:

Three Rivers.

Frame,	141	183	164	488
Lavene,	156	178	170	504
Trickett,	159	134	157	450
Story,	153	193	233	579
Upham,	157	159	179	495
	766	847	903	2516

Palmer.

Keith,	145	138	144	427
Morrill,	106	177	152	435
Fay,	108	111	148	367
Roche,	162	185	140	487
Tufts,	212	193	140	545
	733	804	724	2261

Palmer Wins at Candlepins.

Palmer won from Bondsville at candlepins on Tufts's alleys last night by 30 pins. Roche was high man with 256. The summary:

Palmer.

McBride,	69	79	86	234
Ahearn,	68	72	70	210
Cowee,	75	75	87	237
Tufts,	85	76	97	238
Roche,	85	78	93	256
	382	380	413	1175

Bondsville.

Moriarty,	79	83	77	239
Hayes,	72	64	81	217
Arscotte,	73	75	76	224
Moore,	72	77	96	245
Bowler,	66	86	66	220
	362	387	396	1145

J. D. Wilson's bowling team defeated James Patterson's team on the Recreation alleys at Ludlow Tuesday evening by the score of 2207 to 2073.

An interesting match was rolled at Amazeen's alleys at Ware Wednesday evening between the Plugers and Tucker's team. The result was a victory for Tucker's team, which won all four points.

The grocery clerks have challenged the butcher clerks to a match and the challenge has been accepted and will be rolled on Tufts's alleys next Wednesday evening. The grocers' team is composed of Dwyer, Doyle, Sullivan, Parkhurst and Parker; the butchers' is Shaw, Kempton, Gunn, Stacy and Buffington.

Probate Court Business.

At a session of the probate court in Springfield Wednesday the following business of local interest was transacted: Administration granted in the estates of—Harriet White Zebeda Mason Wallace, late of Monson, Harriet S. McComber of Monson administratrix; Mary McCarthy, late of Palmer, Ernest E. Hobson of Palmer administrator; Michael Mack, late of Palmer, Ellen S. Leach of Palmer administratrix. Guardianship decreed—Charles O. Squires of Palmer, spendthrift, Patrick Crowley of Palmer guardian. Accounts allowed—E. L. Maxwell, late of Monson. Mortgage of real estate decreed in the estate of Isola W. Benway, late of Ludlow.

Cold Snap.

Saturday night was not an extremely warm one, the mercury registering about 15 below Sunday morning. Tuesday morning the average record was 20 below, and from one section came a report of 26 This is about the coldest of the season. At 8 a. m. thermometers on Main street registered 8 below, but there was no wind and although the air was filled with frost the cold was not felt nearly as much as on some previous days.

Sawmill Burned.

The engine and boiler house of C. E. Bickford's sawmill, on the upper road to Wales, was burned Wednesday night. The fire broke out about 10 o'clock and is supposed to have been of incendiary origin, Mr. Bickford suspecting a man whom he recently had occasion to discharge. The loss was about $400. By hard work with snow the saw building was saved.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, FEB 1, 1905.

Beneath the surface developments from day to day in the state house is the chronic question "How will the Douglas administration succeed?" Much depends upon the answer. Everything is running with the utmost smoothness, for every one realizes that the time for the complete answer will not come until the fall campaign. But the material for the answer is being gathered daily and will be accumulated into a mass when the right time comes. Of course some will oppose the governor in any event. Others will support him in any event, but between these fixed quantities is a sufficiently large mass to make the difference between indorsement or condemnation of the year in office. Signs show that, for the present, these men are with Gov. Douglas. For instance, one of the prominent Republican officials in the state house, speaking this week of the situation, said that thus far the governor had made no mistake and that, as the situation stood he should vote for Douglas in preference to Guild. But he was apprehensive that there would be breaks or "swelled head" on the part of the administration, if not by the governor himself, then by some around him which might make the department offensive to the public and then Douglas's bread would be dough. Still another, one of the highest Republicans in office in the state, said to me this week that thus far Gov. Douglas had done well. He spoke cordially, and evidently has only good feeling for the governor.

As to Lieut. Gov. Guild, the first-named Republican official spoke of what may, under conditions yet to be developed, become the policy of the Republican managers. It is based upon the facts that Guild is in line for the next Republican nomination for governor, that he has so many friends that he will make a split in the party not to nominate him, that he has so many more friends who would prefer to vote for some one else for governor that it might defeat the party to nominate him, and that the managers are extremely anxious to avoid an occasion for a split. Suppose that the good sense of the Douglas administration should continue up to the election, suppose that he should continue to make strong Republicans well disposed and should hold the votes which he had last fall. Then the salvation of the Republican managers would be to let the convention nominate Guild by acclamation There would be no opposition inside the party. Nobody would oppose him and there would develop no bitterness and no split. Then, suppose, what would perhaps follow, that the people should reflect Douglas. The cause of apprehension would be removed by act of the sovereign people. The state would continue to have a good administration, and the Republican party would be harmonious for further action, with no heart-burnings chargeable to any one.

Most to the front in direct interest this week is the hearing upon reciprocity with Canada and the other suggestions of the governor for broader trade relations. The reciprocity and tariff revision men are making a strong demonstration. They have come up with the backing of the Committee of One Hundred of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, which is composed largely of Republicans, though Republicans and Democrats have no standing, as such, in the chamber. Henry M. Whitney, Eugene N. Foss, G. Henry Whitcomb, Osborne Howes, William H. Lincoln, the most prominent steamship men in New England, and others, urging great commercial freedom, have made an impression, and the fact that at Washington they have the support of Senators Lodge and Crane and of the entire delegation in the House gives them a prestige which they have never had in their former attempts. There is no doubt that the signing of the reciprocity statement by over 62,000 Republicans last fall has had its effect and the Republican managers are getting their eyes open to the demands of business aside from party. Of course, the Home Market Club, with Col. Albert Clark, secretary, as its representative at the hearing, is on the other side, and vehement Joseph H. Walker of Worcester also is stoutly against tinkering with the tariff because he believes that Massachusetts should identify itself with the entire nation and be ready to sacrifice itself for the good of the whole. But those who are called upon to commit hara-kiri do not appreciate the force of the argument. Reciprocity certainly is far stronger than ever before in the Legislature. The only question is whether it can summon a majority. Evidently some of the influential members of the committee on federal relations are stand-patters

Gypsy moths and brown tail moths are a cloud in the legislative sky, as well as over the prospects of the farmers in this part of the state. To-day the committee on agriculture has given a hearing to the petitioners. Of course they have made out a strong case of devastation and of certain greater damage in the coming season, unless prompt remedies are applied. The petitioners are now pulling together. They are less divided by conflicting counsels than in recent years, while some of their opponents have been converted to friends, so the prospect of securing legislation is better than ever and it is believed that efficient means will be provided for attacking the eggs and nests before hatching time in the spring. But several years will be required to make up for the time which was so foolishly lost by suspending the work of extermination just when it was on the point of success.

James L Cowles of Farmington, Ct., the indefatigable worker for the proposed parcels post, and secretary of the Postal Progress League, is here this week in support of the resolution for consolidation of the third and fourth classes of postage. It seems that such an arrangement was in force from 1872 to 1879 and was successful. There is pending a resolution, offered by Mr. March of Boston, the colleague of Speaker Frothingham, providing for such consolidation at the rate of one cent for each two ounces or fraction thereof. Mr. Cowles has seen Postmaster Hibbard of Boston this forenoon about the matter and Hibbard comes out positively for it. The post office department at Washington itself favors the proposition, so Second Assistant Shallengurger tells Mr. Cowles, and such a law would reduce the rates on merchandise 50 per cent. The simplification of the business and saving of much annoyance would be the gain for the department. Of course such a reduction would lead to a much larger use of the mails for merchandise transportation and would be likely to reduce the business of the express companies and of the railroads, and it is they who are strongly opposed to the extension of the parcels post. Here is another point where the interest of the public is directly opposed by the corporations, and it is another matter which the people need to watch, if they are to protect their own

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The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 3, 1905.

PALMER NEWS.

FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH.

Former Palmer Man Dies From Exposure. Unidentified For Weeks.

The body of Russell A. Moffatt, a former resident of Palmer, was brought here to-day from Holden for burial in the Thorndike street cemetery. Mr. Moffatt died in Holden from exposure about a month ago, and his body remained unidentified until this week. Mr. Moffatt had been living in Worcester, and on the morning of January 4 started out, it is thought, with the intention of visiting friends in the vicinity of Holden and Jefferson, in which locality he worked last winter. He probably rode to the end of the car line, and then started to walk to his destination. On account of poor eyesight, and from the fact that he was somewhat feeble, he probably lost his way and wandered until he was overcome by the cold. His body was found by trainmen beside the Boston and Maine tracks in Holden. It was placed in the tomb in Holden, where it was identified this week by W. F. McKee, Mr. Moffatt's sou-in-law. Mr. Moffatt was 64 years of age and was born in Windsor, Ct. His wife has been dead several years, also his daughter, Mrs William F. McKee, who, with Miss Effie Moffatt, were the only children. Before going to Worcester he was employed as stationary engineer in the carpet mill in Palmer, where he was widely known. After removing to Worcester he followed his life's work and held positions as engineer in Worcester until last winter, when for four months he was engineer in the Jefferson Manufacturing Co's. lower mill in Holden. Returning from Holden, he led a retired life in Worcester.

HOUSE AND CONTENTS BURNED.

Blaze Was Probably Started by Plumbers Thawing Out Pipes.

The farm house on the King Knox place on the Thorndike road, owned by S. Wilson Lawrence and occupied by Frank White, was wholly destroyed by a fire which started about noon Wednesday. The firemen were called out by ringing box 57 at the engine house, and took chemical extinguishers and pails to the blaze, as it was beyond hydrant service. Nothing could be done to save the house, and the furniture in three rooms only was saved, the parlor, dining room and one bedroom.

The barn was located near the house and for a time it seemed certain that it would also go, but Chief Bills would not give it up and the men under him worked intensely, with the result that $50 will make the structure good as new, the only damage being a hole burned in the corner nearest the house. Large quantities of snow were used to fight the fire, and as the fire in the house melted the snow and the water ran down into pools it was dipped up and thrown on the barn to protect it. The saving there was considerable, as there was a large quantity of hay and other property in the barn. The loss on the house is estimated at about $3500, with $2000 insurance.

Plumbers had been at work that morning thawing out frozen water pipes, and the fire started in the section where they were at work; it is thought that a spark left by them was the cause.

Both Ears Frozen, and Insane.

Two applicants for lodging were quartered in the tramp room Monday evening by Officer Crimmins. Tuesday morning it was discovered that the ears of one, who gave the name of Joseph Anderson, were badly frozen, one so badly that it had cracked open for about an inch. He was attended by Dr. Fairing, and in treating him it was discovered that he was mentally unbalanced. He was accordingly taken before the district court and committed to the asylum at Northampton. The other man, who gave the name of Peterson, stated that both had been stopping for a time at some mission in Springfield, but becoming satisfied that they were being kept for the work they were doing and with no prospect of bettering their condition, they decided to start Monday for Boston, where Peterson had a brother and both had friends. The night proved to be the coldest of the season, and both were thoroughly chilled when they reached Palmer. When put in the tramp room Peterson appeared to be the most affected of the two but declared that he was not suffering; Anderson appeared to be all right and said he was not cold. His mental trouble took a religious turn, and it was stated by Peterson that he had recently become converted and had devoted all his time and energies to Salvation Army or mission work; his trouble first appeared on Sunday. Peterson had a small amount of money and was assisted on his way to his brother.

Gen. Howard to Visit Palmer.

A rare opportunity will be afforded the people of this vicinity in the near future to hear Maj.-Gen. Oliver O. Howard, U. S. A., retired, deliver his famous lecture on "Sherman's March to the Sea." The lecture will be given under the auspices of the Palmer Historical Society Wednesday evening, March 1st. General Howard is one of the only three surviving corps commanders of the Union army, and has a remarkable record both as a soldier and a citizen. A New Englander by birth, he served throughout the entire war from Bull Run to Bentonville. He participated in forty-six engagements including Bull Run, Fair Oaks, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville and Gettysburg, and in the famous march which his lecture will describe he commanded the army of the Tennessee, which formed Sherman's right wing. As a lecturer he has a national reputation, and added to his fame as an orator is the fact that he played an exceedingly important part in the scenes which are to form the subject of his address.

A New Automobile.

W. M. Moulton of Monson has secured the agency for the Holsman automobile, and has one on exhibition at his place on the road to Monson. The Holsman, in marked contrast to the ordinary automobile, has wheels of the same size as an ordinary carriage, by reason of which it is claimed the vehicle can go through snow or over any road, and is a great hill climber; "two passengers on any roads" is the claim made for it. The motor of the runabout is six horse-power two-cylinder, and the road capacity is 150 miles on six gallons of gasoline; 25 miles on a gallon of fuel is said to be proved by repeated tests. Mr. Moulton will be glad to demonstrate the machine for any interested parties. Besides the runabout, shown in his advertisement in another column, there are other models.

Dancing Party Next Week.

There will be a dancing party in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening which will be particularly appreciated by persons who are fond of dancing but have reached a stage where they are beyond the "younger generation" but are not yet numbered among the "has beens." Many of these have expressed a desire for a dancing party and one especially for their benefit has been arranged by the Woman's Relief Corps. The order of dances will be arranged expressly for their benefit with a liberal number of square and contra dances, as well as the dances so much in favor now by the younger set. Tickets are being sold by members of the corps, and an enjoyable evening is anticipated.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

The usual dances Friday night and Saturday afternoon.

The regular monthly meeting of the trustees of the hospital occurred to-day.

Rev. Mr. Patton of the Palmer Congregational church will conduct the service next Sunday.

Rev. Frederick Johnson of Springfield will conduct the Episcopal service at the hospital Sunday, February 12, at 2 p. m. Visitors are welcome.

Mr L. A. Brignati will give an entertainment in legerdemain next Monday night. Mr. Brignati has been here a number of years and all are glad to see him again. Visitors are welcome.

The committee of the Legislature on public charitable institutions made a visit to the hospital on Tuesday. The following gentlemen were present: Mr. Eben H. Googins of Cambridge; Dr. J. F. Lewis, Hyde Park; Mr. Isaac E. Willetts, Fall River; Senator F. M. Chace, Fall River; Senator H. Hunter, Marlborough; Mr. Henry M. Maxwell, Lynn; Mr. P. B. Hancock, Brockton; Mr. E. V. Tanner, Springfield; Rep. Crafts, Whately; Rep. Brewer, Dalton; Rep. Battis, Boston; Rep. Flint, Enfield; Messenger Sidney Gardner, Gloucester.

Vital Records of Former Years.

The vital records of Palmer will be published February 15. The book will contain 242 pages, embracing the births, marriages and deaths of the town from its first settlement to 1850, which are to be found on his records. The price of books will be $2 42, and 14 cents for postage. Anyone desiring a copy can send the price to the editor, Henry E. Woods, 18 Somerset street, Boston, prior to Feb. 15, or the price may be handed to O. P. Allen, who will attend to the matter.

These records were first copied from our town books by Town Clerk Foley, after which an agent was sent from Boston to verify the copy by comparison, so that every possible means was taken to ensure correctness. Some of the old records were very obscure and difficult to decipher, as any who have had occasion to refer to them knows, and valuable assistance was rendered in their interpretation by O. P. Allen. All who are interested in the work will do well to obtain a copy, as it will be an invaluable aid in tracing many families who figured in the early history of the town. The price will be advanced after Feb. 15.

High School Sleighride.

The high school athletic association held a sleighride party Wednesday evening with Belchertown as the objective point. A large barge drawn by four horses, in charge of M. F. Loftus of Thorndike, carried the excursionists to the Park View hotel, where Landlord Dillon served a first-class supper. After supper a dancing program of fifteen numbers was enjoyed, and the party started for Palmer about 12 15 yesterday morning, arriving about 2 30. Those present were Misses Mabel Oakes, Alice Oakes, Irene LeGro, Blanche LeGro, Bessie Swann, May Dillon, Hazel Dillon, Mabel Lyman, Edith Childs, Grace Childs, Ethel Blandamer, Bernice Hart, Ruth S. Bishop, Agnes Keefe, Ella Webster, Alice Bond, Viola Marsan, Sophia Rice, Marjorie Buck, Nellie Sullivan; Messrs. C. E. Maxwell, H. L. McGregory, W. W. Greene, Rufus Parkhurst, I. R. Shaw, Christian Oleson, G. W. Roche, Charles Hellyar, Charles Doherty, Albert Remington, Eddie Walker, Lewis Sird, Robert Kenefick, W. D. Clark Jr., E. A. Buck, Philip Doherty, B. Collis, Thomas Blanchard Jr., Gordon C. Miller.

George Day has been appointed janitor of St. Paul's church.

Mrs. H. D. Converse is again confined to her home by sickness.

H. A. Northrop has finished filling his icehouse on Park street.

W. D. Clark of Boston, recently of Palmer, has been in town this week.

Miss Ruth Fiske was home from Westfield Normal School over Sunday.

Mrs. H. M. Bacon of Ware is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. Ezra Kempton.

The little son of O. W. Marcy, who has been sick with diphtheria, is recovering.

J. J. Todd has been spending several days with relatives in St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cronck of Springfield spent Sunday with relatives in town.

August Carlson sailed Wednesday for Sweden where he will remain until April.

Miss Gwendolin Jones of Wilbraham was the guest of Miss May Fiske Sunday.

G. M. Atkins has gone on a business trip through New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

There will be preaching services in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Kenerson have gone to New York for the remainder of the winter.

The Monday Evening Whist Club will meet with Mrs. H. A. Northrop on Monday evening.

The Penelope Sewing society met with Miss Alice Collis on South Main street last evening.

Mrs. Nelson Whiton is making an extended visit with her daughter in Hazardville, Ct.

Two persons received final naturalization papers in the district court last Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Kuhn was yesterday adjudged insane and committed to the asylum at Northampton.

Mrs. Mary Ronan is seriously ill at her home on Maple street as the result of two shocks recently.

The house committee of the Business and Social Club has organized with Dr. G. A. Moore as chairman.

The Entre Nous Whist Club will meet with Mrs. C. M. Wing on Central street next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. H. S. Rokenbaugh of New York city is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Eager, for a few days.

J. P. O'Connor, who has been confined to his home by a severe attack of pneumonia, is able to be out again.

Mrs. J. T. Fitzpatrick of Stoughton is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Dillon on Central street.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30.

Word has been received that Henry McGilp has joined the United States navy, and is now stationed at Newport.

The subject of the sermon at St. Paul's Universalist church Sunday evening will be "Faith in the Old Testament."

Frank Tichean, who has been employed in Letters's barber shop, has severed his connection with that establishment.

There was one commitment from the district court to the state hospital for dipsomaniacs at Foxboro Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Georgia Kimball of New York has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Kenerson, a part of the week.

The overseers of the poor will hold their monthly meeting in their room in the library building to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. P. M. Proulx and daughter Lillian of Chatham Centre, N. Y., are visiting her sister, Mrs. Michael St. John on Thorndike street.

The Gordon Bible class of the Baptist church held a social in the church parlors Tuesday evening, with very enjoyable results.

Mrs. Edwin Sizer, who was recently operated upon in the Homeopathic hospital in Springfield, is reported to be improving rapidly.

The annual meeting of the Whitall Mills Mutual Aid Association will be held at the Nassowanno House to-morrow evening.

D. L. Bodfish announces a bargain sale of shirt waists, in which prices are made unusually low on an unusually high grade of goods.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ezra Kempton, who has been seriously sick with bronchial pneumonia, is now out of danger.

There will be special exercises in the high school on Monday, the 13th, in commemoration of Lincoln's birthday, which comes the 12th.

Rev. Frank L. Masseck of Spencer, National King Arthur, was in town this afternoon, in the interests of the establishment of a Castle.

The meeting of the Home Missionary society of the Congregational church will be held in the church parlors Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The audience room of the Baptist church is being wired for additional electric side lights, which will be placed on the posts at the sides of the room.

H. M. Kendall has traded his farm in the north part of the town with Mrs. Emily Kammerer for property in Springfield, and will move to that city.

Robert Harding, formerly loom-fixer at the carpet mill, will move his family Monday to Toronto, Ont., where he has a position in the same capacity.

The young people of St. Paul's church gave a chicken-pie supper in the church Tuesday evening, which was well attended. They cleared $25 as a result.

Services at the Congregational church at the usual hours next Sunday: Preaching at 10 45 a. m and 7 p. m. Mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7 30.

The Y. P. C. U. of the Universalist church has voted to have a sleighride Tuesday night, which will include an oyster supper at Brookdale farm.

"Ireland's Own Band," direct from the Irish village at the St. Louis Exposition, will play at Court Square Theatre in Springfield Thursday, February 16.

The J. F. Gallivan Building company has secured the contract to rebuild the storehouses of the Belton Manufacturing Co. at Belton, S C., which were recently burned.

Principal F. W. Cross of the high school will speak before the Men's Club of the Congregational church in Monson on Monday night, the 13th. He will take for his subject "Gettysburg."

A party of young married people paid a surprise visit last evening to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kendall on their farm in the north part of the town, previous to their departure to live in Springfield.

The eighth grade pupils of the grammar school had a sleighride to Monson Tuesday evening. They took their lunch and music with them, and had a dance at the Century House, hot cocoa being served by the hotel.

Miss Katherine Shea, teacher of the fourth grade in the grammar school, was confined to her home in Ware the first of the week with a hard cold, and her position was filled by Miss Helen Robinson of Palmer.

There will be an evening social at the Congregational church next Wednesday evening, with a musical and dramatic entertainment and a sale of home-made candy. The admission will be 10 cents, and all are invited.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church Sunday morning will be "From Death to Life;" Sunday school at 12; Christian Endeavor meeting at 6; song service at 7, followed by fifth sermon in the series on "The Questions of Men;" entitled "A Skeptic's Scoff."

Andrew McManus of Worcester and August King of Holyoke appeared in the district court Tuesday morning for drunkenness. McManus was sent to the house of correction for 30 days; King was fined $5, and the case was continued until to-morrow for performance of sentence.

The street railway company announces that the 11 o'clock evening car to the villages, which was taken off some time ago, will be restored for the balance of this month; if at the end of that time the patronage has warranted the running of the car it will be continued, if not it will be taken off again.

The selectmen will hold their regular monthly meeting next Monday afternoon. The town year closes the 15th, and both overseers of the poor and selectmen will hold meetings that day for the payment of bills. Bills against either board which are presented after that date will remain unpaid until April 1.

At a meeting of the M. M. Club at the home of Miss Blanche Clapp Tuesday evening the following officers were elected: President, Miss May B Dillon; vice president, Miss Pearl Fish; secretary, Miss Jennie Bray; treasurer, Miss Blanche Clapp. A meeting was held last evening at the home of Miss Dillon.

John Barck of Three Rivers appeared in the district court Saturday charged with larceny. His "steady," whom he intended to marry, had given him about $60 to keep for her, as she had no safe place for it, and when she demanded it the money was not forthcoming, Barck having used it to live on. He was found guilty and sent to the house of correction for six months.

Time: Wednesday morning. Place: Main street. Dramatis personæ: Three lads of ten or a dozen years, on their way to school. No. 1: "But this the first of February." No 2: "Yes, and it's almost three months till spring." No. 3: "Gee! but won't I be glad when spring comes, and the grass comes up and all the leaves are green!" There are lots of us who'll say amen to the last sentiment.

There will be a meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. A. T. Wing on North Main street this afternoon. An interesting program, consisting of singing by Rev. W. A. Moore, a review of "The Woman Errant" by Mrs. W. H. Fuller, and a paper on F. Marion Crawford by Mrs. P. E. Bard, will be carried out. Mrs. Ada Wing Mead of Providence, one of the founders of the club, will be present at the meeting.

Numerous changes are to be made in the office of the Western Union Telegraph Co at the passenger station which will accrue for the benefit of patrons of the office. A new switchboard is to be installed, and with it a direct wire to New York, a thing which the Palmer office has never before had, although more business is done with that city than with any other single one. New York business has previously been sent by way of Boston, but with the installation of the new wire it will be sent direct.

A travelling peddler had a grievance against a local woman one day last week, according to his story. In his travels about the country he sometimes takes poultry in exchange for his goods, and when he put his horse up in the woman's barn on the day in question he had three fat hens in his possession. He left the place for a while and when he returned they were in the house, minus their heads, feathers and a few other accessories of a live and healthy hen, and were peacefully reposing in a pot on the stove, cooking away merrily. The peddler was invited to dinner, but declined.

The regular meeting of the Historical Society which was to have been held next Tuesday evening has been postponed until Wednesday evening, the 15th. A farther discussion of the territorial expansion of the United States will be considered, and the following papers will be read: "The Florida Purchase," Mrs Murdock of Thorndike; "Texas' Struggle for Independence and Her Annexation to the United States," E. W. Carpenter; "Causes, Incidents and Results of the Mexican War," D. L. Bodfish; and it is expected that Capt. Clark will give a talk on recollections of his early days in California. The lecture by General Howard will take the place of the regular March meeting.

Superintendent of Streets Brainerd had a gang of men and teams carting the snow from the sides of Main street last Saturday, carrying on the work in the business section wherever the tracks of the electric road ran in the center of the street. Before this was done it was impossible for a team to get up to the sidewalk. The same thing was done in the other villages of the town, the electric road company bearing half of the expense. This is the first time in the history of the town when the snow has been carted from the streets; in the big blizzard of 1888, when the snow was nearly three times the depth of that last week, it was allowed to remain until it melted. But then there were no electric car tracks, from which the snow was cleared in the center of the streets to be thrown up at the sides.

PALMER CENTER.

Mrs. Miller, who has been sick, is improving.

Mr. Johnston filled his icehouse this week; also the one at the town farm.

D. J. Mahoney and daughter May attended the funeral of a friend at Amherst Wednesday.

THORNDIKE.

Temperance Society to Hold Fair.

The St. Mary's Total Abstinence society at its last regular meeting voted to run a bazar, commencing April 28 and ending May 6th. The townspeople are all conversant with the work of this organization, which has done an immensity of good in this vicinity during the six years of its existence. The society has planned to paint its building in the spring and is contemplating other repairs that will require a considerable outlay of money. There will be no individual soliciting for this bazar among the business men of the town, but any person wishing to donate may confer with William C. Reilly, chairman of the bazar committee. The society is very grateful for the patronage of the public during its past bazars, and hopes to see them again at the coming fair, which promises to surpass all other events of this kind yet attempted by the boys. It is the intention of the society to open with a grand concert and ball, with music by Flanagan's singing orchestra. One evening will be devoted to a temperance lecture by some well-known speaker, with admission free to the public. The committee in charge is William C. Reilly, chairman, Daniel J. Sullivan, secretary, William Holden, treasurer, Martin F. Hurley and Joseph Mongeau. Other sub-committees are to be appointed who are to work with the general committee. The society is in a flourishing condition with 40 members in good standing.

Found a Live Partridge.

Edward Healey, son of Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner M. C. Healey, found a large plump female partridge in the snow in the vacant lot near the grammar school building Wednesday evening about 7 o'clock. The bird was apparently in a state of bewilderment and did not know how far it had wandered from its home in the woods into civilization. The bird was cared for until the following morning when it was allowed to go free again, apparently none the worse for its night in captivity. The supposition is that it was driven into the village by the cold weather and for lack of food. It lay all night in the warm nest which was provided and did not seem to care to return to its home in the wilderness.

Mrs. T. J. Clifford is recovering from a severe illness of several days.

Miss K. Holden of Pine avenue spent Sunday in Springfield with friends.

George Young has returned to Thorndike after several months' stay in Adams.

Miss Marion Sands, teacher in the grammar school, spent Sunday with friends in Huntington.

Miss Mary Sheehan of Springfield is confined to the home of her mother on Church street by illness.

Keith Bros. completed filling their ice house in the village on last Saturday, with good quality of ice.

There is to be a benefit dance given to Patrick Riley, the young man who is blind, at a near date.

Patrick Nagle has been unable to attend to his work at the wire mill on account of injuries received to his left eye last week.

Thomas Longtine Jr., employed in the market of Clark & Hastings, is unable to attend to his duties on account of illness.

Mrs. Frank Chamberlin of Springfield has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Ellen Cunningham of School street, the past week.

Invitations have been received by several young men of this place to the valentine party to be given at Monson Friday evening, Feb 10.

John Riley Jr., who has been spending several days at the home of his father on Commercial street, returned Wednesday to Lynn, where he is employed.

There is a movement on foot among the young people to form a sleighride party to Brimfield, where it is expected a dance and supper will be given at the Brimfield Hotel.

Superintendent of Streets Brainerd has had a large number of men and teams engaged the past week carting away the surplus snow from Commercial and Main streets

Mrs. Edward C. Lyons and daughters, Marie, Edna and Mildred, returned to their home in New Haven, Ct., on Monday after a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. Patrick Riley on Thayer avenue.

The new bowling alley which is owned by R. L. Bond and which is being installed in the Exchange block, is expected to be in readiness for the public this week. It will be in charge of William Arecotte of Bondsville.

The oyster supper and entertainment, which was postponed on account of the snow storm from last week, was held at the Congregational church vestry Tuesday evening and was well attended and much enjoyed.

Professor Harry Newell, formerly of Three Rivers, now of Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., will speak at the Congregational church Sunday morning, describing the work of that institution among the mountain whites.

Several young people are planning to attend the reception to be given Saturday evening to Mr. and Mrs. John Bresette, upon their return from their wedding trip. The reception will take place at the home of the bride's parents in Palmer Center.

A horse owned by Liveryman Mahoney of Ware, attached to a sleigh in which were two occupants, a man and woman, was overturned at the upper village Sunday night. The occupants escaped injury. The horse's legs was somewhat cut and the sleigh slightly damaged.

Several from this place went to Amherst Wednesday to attend the funeral of Miss May Harrington, which was held from the Catholic church with a mass of requiem at 9 o'clock. Miss Harrington was well known in Thorndike and the sad news of her death was a great surprise to her friends. She was a graduate of the Palmer high school, class of 1900. Interment was in Amherst.

The consolidation of the Columbian and Polish bands which has taken place recently has made a strong organization Many of the members of the Polish band are good musicians and will swell the membership to 35. The band will be known as heretofore, the "Columbian Band," and will be under the leadership of Mr. George McKenzie, a son of Mr. Malcom McKenzie, who was until recently for years the leader of the band.

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In Rochester, 29th ult., a son to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Strickland and grandson to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Burlingame of Three Rivers.

MARRIED.

In Palmer, 30th ult., by Rev. W. H. Hart, John Bressette of Thorndike and Ellen Brow of Palmer Center.

In Monson, 1st, by Rev A. B. Gifford, Dorrance Crosby and Helen Ellis.

DIED.

In Bondsville, 1st, Michael Sullivan, 65.

In Springfield, 30th ult., Miss Jane Clark, 65, formerly of Ware.

In Amherst, 31st ult., Mary G. Harrington, 22, formerly of Three Rivers.

TENEMENT to rent on Dublin street. 45-tf The C. D. HOLBROOK CO.

FOR SALE—Two-seated sleigh; French Carriage Co's. make. H. E. SHAW, Wales.

TO RENT—Cottage house on North Main street, Palmer. Inquire of 45-tf MRS WALTER WINTER.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT, after December 1, my house and stable on Knox St., Palmer. 31-tf THOMAS BLANCHARD.

FOR SALE—Cushion-tired top buggy; open buggy, hard rubber tires; piano-box carriage; Concord buggy; Buckboard. All new. J. F. TWISS, Three Rivers, Mass.

LOST—On Friday, Jan. 27, between Masonic Hall and grammar school building, star shaped pin. Finder please return to MRS. W. W. CONVERSE, Park street, Palmer. 45-1

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Auction Sale of Real Estate.

The property at the head of School street in Palmer, Mass, known as the "Dr. Wood" place, will be sold at auction, on

Saturday, Feb. 4, 1905,

at 2 o'clock p. m.

Property consists of a lot 8 rods square, 1½ story 2-tenement house, and barn, and will be sold to the highest bidder.

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The "Roswell Hastings" farm of 100 acres, more or less, with a fine set of buildings, all in repair, running water at house and barn, cream taken at the door. This farm handy to Ware, Bondsville and Thorndike, is one mile from Forest Lake, land borders on Ware river.

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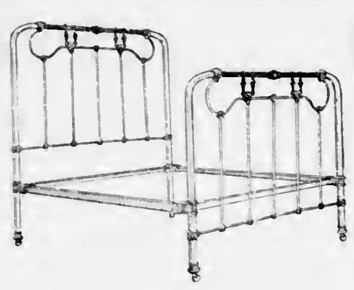

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Monson News.

Academy Notes.

Rhetoricals were heard Wednesday morning.

Norcross, '06, has returned to school after a short illness.

The joint meeting of the Lino and Philo societies was held last Monday evening.

Raymond McPherson, '07, has left school and has taken a position at the Monson Steam Laundry.

The entertainment for the benefit of the Athletic Association will be given this evening. A large attendance is desired

Maguire, '05, received a bad cut over the eye Wednesday afternoon by being accidentally pushed through a pane of glass at the Academy. He was attended by Dr. Jackson.

The class of 1906 held a business meeting Tuesday afternoon and elected the following officers for the present term: President, William E Hynes; vice president, Miss Kate Nye; secretary, Miss Lucy Horton; treasurer, Miss Lizzie Connell.

The basketball team will play West Springfield high at West Springfield tomorrow afternoon. The line-up of the two teams will be as follows:

Monson Academy.	West Springfield
Hynes, r f,	l g, Harris
Faulkner, l f,	r g, Worthington
Briggs, c,	c, McClaiffin
Rourke, r g,	l f, Cross
English, l g,	r f, Baffin

Academy Entertainment.

The Athletic Association of the Academy will give an entertainment in the Academy chapel this evening at 8 o'clock. The program will be as follows:

Piano selection. "Polka Brilliante." Miss B. Allen.
Declamation. "The Convict's Soliloquy." William E. Hynes.
Trio. "The Twilight Star." Miss Mary McKenna. Miss Kate Cushman. Miss Laura Johnson.
Dialogue. Scene from "The Rivals." Lyndon Beardslee and John English.
Vocal selection. "Hearts and Flowers." Miss F. Sault.
Chorus. "Voice of the Western Wind." Academy Girls' Chorus.
Dumb-bell Drill, with music. Members of Athletic Association.
Violin solo. Miss Fuller.
Dialogue "Our Domestic Parliament." Miss Gough and J. F. L. McQuaid.
Chorus. "The King's Champion." Academy Chorus.
Declamation. "Jerusalem by Moonlight." H. L. Oldfield.
Sword Drill. Members of Athletic Association.
Recitation. "The Spire of St Paul's." Miss Beckwith.

J. W. Brown is ill at his home on East Hill.

Carl Gustafson is ill at his home on the Wilbraham road.

James F. Coughlin spent Sunday with friends in Ware.

Miss Mary Fuller visited relatives at Wilbraham this week.

Miss Mamie Burke of Ware spent Sunday with friends here.

Witt Royce of Springfield called on friends here yesterday.

Fuller, the shoeist, will begin his anniversary sale to-morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ellis have gone to Georgia for a few weeks.

G. W. Lent, who has been ill several months, is much better.

Miss Sarah Gavin is in New York for a few days on a business trip.

Mrs Henry A. King of Springfield visited relatives here Tuesday.

William Flynt attended the Fasig horse sale at New York Wednesday.

Mrs. H. C. Laucy has returned from a visit with relatives at Pittsfield, Me.

James Bowler sold his driving horse in New York this week at the Fasig sale.

Mr. and Mrs. O C. McCray spent Wednesday with relatives in Hampden.

John P. Herlihy is ill at his home on Pearl street with an attack of rheumatism.

Miss Grace Dixon of West Upton spent Sunday with Mrs. G. C. Flynt on High street.

Marcus Keep Woman's Relief Corps will hold its regular meeting next Wednesday night.

J. F. Alberty is suffering from the effects of a severe shock and his condition is serious.

A number of horses from here were taken to the Fasig horse sale at New York Tuesday.

Rev. I. P. Booth of Stafford, Ct., will preach at the Universalist church Sunday morning

W. C. Moulton has a new Holsman automobile for which he has taken the agency for this section

E. V. Tanner of Springfield visited his daughter, Mrs. J C. Parsons on Harrison avenue Saturday.

Julius N. Graves, who is employed at Noroton, Ct., spent Sunday with his family on Pease avenue.

Mrs. R. C. Pease has returned from a six weeks' visit with relatives at Chicago, Ill., and Columbus, O.

F. B. Ambler of Clinton, a former resident, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Rees on Main street.

Several cases of measles are reported in the families of Kelly Munsell and John Johnson in Colton Hollow.

E B Converse has been confined to his house on the Wilbraham road this week with an attack of rheumatism.

Miss Edith Sutcliffe of Chicopee spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sutcliffe on East Hill.

Dwight Ellis of Amherst College and Miss Louise Ellis of Smith College spent Sunday with their parents here.

E. B. Potter, employed at W. N. Flynt & Son's, has been confined to the house this week on account of the grip.

The annual meeting of the Monson Baseball Association will be held in engine house No. 1 next Thursday evening.

Miss Marion Wilkins of Chicago, Ill., is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Tucker on Granite street.

Miss Louvanne Longley of Mt. Holyoke College is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Needham on Main street.

Rev. N. M. Pratt will preach at the Congregational church Sunday morning on "Christ's Method of Reaching the People."

A sleighride party from the eighth grade school in Palmer enjoyed a sleighride with supper at the Century House Tuesday night.

Miss Burns, employed in the Heimann & Lichten straw factory, slipped on the ice yesterday morning and received a bad sprain.

Rev. N. M. Pratt will preach in the Pease district schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Sunday school will be held at 2 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. William N. Flynt entertained a whist party of three tables at their home on North Main street Saturday evening.

The Democratic town committee has organized with George E. Duncan as chairman and John Pendergast clerk and treasurer.

The selectmen have had the large piles of snow in front of the stores carted away this week, which was appreciated by the merchants.

Mrs. Gifford, who has been visiting her son, Rev. A. B. Gifford on Granite street, has returned to her home at West Falmouth.

Edwin M. White has returned from the eastern part of the state, where he has been employed for several months on a large milk farm.

The Republican town committee has organized with George L. Keeney as chairman, William L. Ricketts secretary and D. B. Needham treasurer.

The Fortnightly Club will meet Monday night with Mrs. F. S. Chapman on Green street, and the program will be in charge of Mrs. Emily Chapin.

The social dance in Memorial Hall Saturday evening was a decided success and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all. Music was furnished by Orcutt's orchestra.

William N. Flynt has returned from Worcester, where he has been a witness in the Ward–Taylor trial, Taylor, the defendant, being employed by him for a time.

The Colton Hollow school has been closed on account of measles, there being several cases in families of that district. Most of the cases are reported as being light

Miss Helen Ellis and Dorrance Crosby of the Pease district were married at the Methodist parsonage Wednesday night, by Rev. A. B. Gifford, pastor of the Methodist church.

The Dorcas Society of the Congregational church will hold a cake sale at the residence of Mrs. C. M. Gage on Main street next Friday afternoon from 3 30 to 5 30 o'clock.

Rev. Frederick Foote Johnson of Springfield will hold an Episcopal service in Workman Hall Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock. All who are interested are cordially invited to attend.

Mark Noble's horse ran away on North Main street Wednesday, but no damage was done. A horse owned by Fred Thompson of Palmer also ran away without damage being done.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Lent, who have been staying with George W. Lent for several months, have gone to New York, where they have been appointed warden and matron of a sanitarium.

The Century Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. F. A. Wheeler on Main street. The meeting next Tuesday will be held with Mrs. A. O. Shaw. The program will be in charge of Mrs. F. E. Fairbank and Mrs. F. S. Homer.

The "Serenaders" will give a concert in the Universalist church Feb. 13th under the auspices of the Young People's Christian Union. The entertainment will consist of an octet, quartet, reader, banjo, mandolin, guitar and 'cello soloists, and a splendid program has been arranged. George Ellis of this town is a member of the club.

Rev. J. N. DeBerry, pastor of the St. John's church in Springfield, will give a lecture in the Congregational church Thursday evening on the condition of colored people in the South. Mr. DeBerry spoke before the Men's Club last year and is a very interesting speaker. His talk will be based on investigations which he made in the South last year, and will be of interest

Miss Francesca LaRosa of Stafford, Ct., daughter of Mr. I. La Rosa, a stone cutter at the W. N Flynt Granite quarry, and Frank Olivo of this town were married in the Catholic church at Stafford, Ct., Sunday morning. After the ceremony they were driven to their home at the quarry, where they will reside, and a reception was given their friends. Mr. Olivo is employed as a stone cutter at the quarry.

The supper and entertainment given by the Boys' Brigade, which was to have been held last Monday night, has been postponed until next Wednesday night. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock followed at 8 o'clock by the one-act drama by Richard Harding Davis in Collier's Weekly, "Miss Civilization." It is hoped there will be a large attendance in order to help the brigade.

Mr. and Mrs. William Grout had a narrow escape from being burned out of house and home Wednesday morning. Mr. Grout was awakened about 4.30 by the smell of smoke, and upon investigation found the woodwork around the stovepipe in the kitchen on fire, and the stove pipe at a white heat. After a few minutes' work he had the fire under control. The fire was caused by soot collecting in the chimney and pipe and taking fire. If the fire had not been discovered when it was it would undoubtedly have resulted seriously.

The annual meeting of the Palmer and Monson Christian Endeavor Union was held in the Congregational church Wednesday evening and was well attended. The meeting opened with a praise service led by C. C. Keep, a devotional service followed, conducted by Rev. C. W. Williams At the close of this service the roll call of members was held. Rev. N. M. Pratt spoke for F. A. Wheeler, as chairman of the missionary committee, as Mr. Wheeler was unable to be present. F. F. Dunfield gave an interesting talk on the "Work at Silver Street," followed by an interesting address on "Operating Our Optimism," by Rev. C. Julian Tuthill. The following officers were elected: President, Alfred Swann, Palmer; vice president, Roscoe Adams, Palmer; secretary, Miss Martha Barthowiak, Three Rivers; treasurer, Miss Nellie Hecox, Three Rivers; missionary committee, F. A. Wheeler, Monson, F. S. Keith, Palmer, Miss Margaret Sargeant, Palmer.

THREE RIVERS.

The Red Men are planning to have a sleighride next week.

Mrs. Paul Christenson is sick with pneumonia at the wire mill.

Daniel Keefe is confined to his home with an attack of the grippe.

Miss Lottie Moore is the guest of Mrs. J. Burlingame at Mountain View House.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Turkington are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Misses Rosa and Louise Patnode of Holyoke were guests at Isaac Hubert's on Wednesday.

James Hartnett, C. P. Haynes and Peter Smart are atttending the Fazig Lupton sale in New York this week.

Miss Mandy Gramo of this place and Albert Dubuque of Springfield were married in Springfield Monday.

While Rev. D. C. York was eating dinner Tuesday a chicken bone became lodged in his throat, causing him severe pain. He was attended by Dr. Charles Giroux, who with much difficulty removed the obstruction.

The subject for Rev. Charles Olmstead's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Punctuality of Providence." The evening service will be in charge of Rev. H. P. Woodin of Chicopee, who will speak on "China." The service will be a recognition of Christian Endeavor Day.

Tuesday evening was the occasion of a pleasant gathering of friends at the home of Miss Alice Barton on the anniversary of her birthday. She was presented with substantial gifts, which consisted of a fine fur and a purse of money. The pastor of the Baptist church presented the gifts. Refreshments were served during the evening.

The pupils of the ninth grade are planning to give the play "No Cure, No Pay" in Ruggles' Hall. Following is the cast: Mrs. Languish, Hazel Hubbard; Alice, the daughter of Mrs. Languish, Nettie Wells; Lucy Akine, Maude Fillmore; Jennie Carter, Frances Hartnett; Susan Dean, Maggie Riddle; Bridget, queen of the kitchen, Blanche Upham; Aunt Midget, Mabel Geer.

Miss Mary G. Harrington, 22, died in Amherst last Tuesday. Miss Harrington was born in Three Rivers and had lived here until last October. She was a graduate of the Palmer high school in the class of 1900. She leaves a father, James Harrington, and two sisters, Nellie and Marjorie, also a brother, James Jr. Miss Harrington was well known in Three Rivers and her death is deeply regretted by her many friends.

BONDSVILLE.

Death of Michael Sullivan.

Michael Sullivan, 65, died at his home on East street Wednesday evening at 8 after a short illness. He was sick with the grippe last week, but had recovered sufficiently to be out the first of this week, when he suffered a relapse and pneumonia set in, which caused his death. Mr. Sullivan was born in Ballybrack, County Kerry, Ireland. At the age of 23 he came to this country and went to Bondsville, leaving there to work in Hartford and Springfield for a few years. Later he returned to Bondsville, where he took a position in the machine shop of the Boston Duck Co. He held that position until about 12 years ago. In 1873 he was married to Miss Mary Murphy, who died in 1878. Mr. Sullivan leaves two sons, Daniel Sullivan, who is a practicing physician in this place, and Michael R. Sullivan, a clerk in J. F. Foley's store in Palmer. The funeral will be held in St. Bartholomew's church to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, with Rev. B. McKeany officiating. Burial will be in the Thorndike cemetery.

Charles Sharratt spent Sunday visiting friends in Worcester.

Arthur Fauteaux Sr. is ill at his home on North Main street.

O. A. Parent has returned from a trip to Clifton Springs, N. Y.

Mrs F. W. Langelier is suffering from a severe attack of pleurisy.

Marcus Culver is seriously ill at his home on South Main street.

Miss Alice Thompson spent last Sunday in Putnam, Ct., visiting relatives.

Miss Annie Collis has been confined to her home this week, by an attack of grippe.

Walter Austin and family of Troy, N. Y., are visiting Mr. Austin's father, John Austin.

Miss Edna Taylor of Amherst spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold its next meeting at the home of Mrs. J. F. Dustin.

Miss Doris Sutcliffe of Monson was the guest of her cousin, Miss Alice Bond, over Sunday.

Miss Helen Farnsworth spent last Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. John Minnick in West Warren.

Miss Leila Beeman is spending a week in Westminster as the guest of her friend, Miss Grace Parker.

F. W. Langelier was called to Marlboro the latter part of last week to attend the funeral of his uncle.

Mrs. Albert Walder, who has been confined to her home by illness for the past week, is able to be out.

The King's Daughters Circle will hold its next meeting next Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Morse.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rodman of Stafford Springs spent Wednesday and yesterday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Holden.

Scott Merrifield and two children, Doris and Donald, of Springfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rowland McFarlane last Sunday.

Mrs. Allen Hall, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor, will return to her home in Bridgeport, Ct., to-morrow.

Mrs. E. G. Childs has returned from a week's visit with relatives in Lowell. She was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. E. W. Pease.

The seventh, eighth and ninth grades of the grammar school enjoyed a sleighride to Monson yesterday afternoon. Miss Twiss and Miss Dunton accompanied them.

The cloth room and dye house were shut down to-day on account of a break in the large shafting. They will not be able to start up until Monday on account of the necessary repairs to be made.

The severe cut and bruise sustained by James Fitzgerald while at his work in the machine shop last week is improving, although it will be a number of days before it will be sufficiently healed to admit of his working.

The Young Girls' Sewing Circle met with Mrs. H. C. Morgan Tuesday afternoon. They will meet next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Miss Grace Dustin. The circle are planning for a sale to be held some time in the future.

The people in this village will be interested to learn that Rev. Albert Beal, the former pastor of the M. E. church in this village, who has not been preaching the past year, has secured a pastorate in Le Grand, Ohio. Mr. Beal has been in Crestline, O., since his work here. His goods, which have been stored here, have been forwarded to his new field of labor.

The Ladies' Aid Society will serve a supper in the vestry of the M. E. church next Tuesday evening. This will be a "Pie" supper and the ladies will serve beef pies, hot potatoes and also various kinds of pastry pies. There will also be an entertainment in connection with the supper. Tickets for both supper and entertainment will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children under 12 years of age.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

E. M. Scott, superintendent of the ragroom in the paper mill in North Wilbraham, met with a serious accident Wednesday morning. He was working around a rag cutter and his left hand was caught and drawn into the apron of the cutter, breaking both bones of the arm at the wrist and one of the fingers. Dr. A. L. Damon was called and took Mr Scott to the Springfield hospital, where the fractures were reduced. Mr. Scott later returned to his home.

The Ladies' Society held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. H. W. Cutler Tuesday afternoon and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. D. W. Morey; vice president, Mrs. Frank Munsell; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. C. D. Spencer; directors, the above and Mrs. E. W. Wall, Mrs. W. R. Sanderson, Mrs. H. W. Cutler, Mrs. A. E. Bell, Mrs. George Robinson, Mrs. A. L. Damon, Miss Gertrude Chase, Mrs. J. M. Perry and Mrs. Minnie Metcalf.

WILBRAHAM.

Miss Ruth P. Dennis of Boston University has been visiting at Rich Hall.

Eugene Keyes and son of Bridgeport, Ct., have been guests of his father, E. S. Keyes.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Bolles and Mr. and Mrs. Ethelbert Bliss attended the meeting of the Hampden Harvest Club in Easthampton Tuesday.

The senior class of Wesleyan Academy held their class ride last Friday night and the banquet was held at the Massasoit House in Springfield.

The Athena Society of the Academy will hold an open session on March 11; Pierla's open session on February 18; Old Club open session on March 4; gymnastic exhibition on Monday, March 20; senior reception February 6.

Edwin Evans is soon to have a steam sawmill placed on his land near Cedar Swamp. It will be located to accommodate several owners of woodlots in that vicinity. H. H. Burbank and Henry Munsing of Ludlow have bought small lots near the place where the mill is to be located, and there are several others desirous of purchasing woodlots in that vicinity.

The Grange program for the year has been completed and is as follows: Feb. 8, conferring first and second degrees, music, Mrs. L. G. Potter; Feb. 22, Washington party, Mrs. C. C. Beebe; March 8, discussing town meeting topics, E. C. Clark; March 22, conferring third and fourth degrees; April 12, paper, "Eastern War," C. E. Peck; April 26, neighbors' night; May 10, spelling match, women against men, reading, Mrs. Phelps; May 24, lecture; June 14, authors' night, Mrs. Gurney and Mrs. Smith; June 28, children's night, Mrs. Potter and Mrs. Beebe; July 12, social; Aug. 23, program in charge of Mrs. Hulme; Sept. 13, "Fruits," C. P. Bolles, C. C. Beebe; Sept. 27, entertainment; Oct. 11, mothers' night, Mrs. Phelps, Mrs. Bosworth; Oct. 25, gentlemen's night, E. C. Clark, C. C. Beebe; Nov. 8, drama; Nov. 23, lecture; Dec. 13, election of officers; Dec. 27, Christmas entertainment.

BRIMFIELD.

Pleasing Entertainment.

The three-act comedy, "The Snow Ball," was given in the town hall Monday evening for the benefit of the Brimfield Improvement Society. There was excellent music in charge of Miss Fannie Warren, formerly teacher of music in the Academy. The entertainment was an unusual success, both on account of its merit and the representative audience in attendance. The acting was above the average of amateur work, each part being well interpreted, and the distinctness of speaking was commendable. Benjamin D. May, principal of the Academy, and Mrs. Lillian Janes admirably acted the parts of Felix Featherstone and Mrs. Featherstone; Miss Lydia B Hitchcock gave a perfect impersonation of the young waiting-maid, Penelope, and Clarence King capitally represented scheming Uncle John. The subordinate parts of Harry Predergast by Fred Chamberlain, Ethel Granger by Miss Lena Adams, and Saunders by Cheney Newton were no less well taken. The entertainment opened with a group of exceedingly well-rendered piano duets by Miss Warren and Miss Lydia Converse, who has been one of Miss Warren's most proficient pupils. Miss Warren played a piano solo, and George M. Hitchcock sang. It is some time since Mr. Hitchcock, who for many years was identified with the musical interests of Brimfield, has been heard in public, and he was heartily encored. The receipts of the evening were about $22. East Brimfield, Wales, Fiskdale and Southbridge were represented in the audience, which was mostly composed of townspeople.

Miss Emily Cox of Mattapan is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lincoln.

J. L Bacon is moving once more to his former home on the Palmer road.

Clarence Fairfield of Adams is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Clarence Brown.

A company of neighbors, including the Academy teachers and Dr. S. A. Fisk, who is boarding at the hotel, gave George A. Webster a pleasant surprise last week Friday evening, spending the evening at his home. Light refreshments were served.

The snow fall was not as heavy last week in Brimfield village as in many places. There were no schools after Tuesday, however. A number of pupils, some of whom came from a distance in the storm, reached the Academy Wednesday morning but there were not enough to hold a session.

Many a tongue shakes out its master's undoing.—Shakespeare.

Fraternity Notes.

Court Palmer, Foresters of America, will hold a meeting next Tuesday evening

The Royal Arcanum holds a regular meeting on Tuesday evening of next week.

Martha Washington court, Dames of Malta, meet on Tuesday evening of next week.

L. L Merrick G A. R post has a regular meeting scheduled for next Wednesday evening.

There will a regular meeting of L. L. Merrick Woman's Relief Corps in Memorial Hall this evening.

The Ladies of Columbus will hold a "Heart Party" in the opera house Tuesday evening, Feb. 14 Tickets are limited, and can be obtained from members of the society Sanger's orchestra of Springfield will furnish music.

BELCHERTOWN.

The high school had its annual sleighride Tuesday, taking supper at Amherst.

Edna Damon entertained a party of classmates Monday, it being her 13th birthday anniversary.

G B. Emerson and Donald Bridgman of Williston Seminary spent a few days this week with Mr. Bridgman's parents.

The Junior Endeavor Society held its annual election of officers Sunday and elected for president Miss Glenn Little; secretary, Miss Ruth Jackson.

The board of registrars will hold the following meetings for revision and registration of the list of voters: In the town house at Belchertown February 6, from 7 to 9 o'clock in the evening, and February 28, from 12 noon to 10 o'clock in the evening, and in South Belchertown, February 11, from 1 30 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

WEST WARREN.

Arrangements are being made for the organization of a new French Social Club to be known as Cercle Laurier. The executive committee consists of Joseph H. Hebert and Dr. J. E. N Bohemier. A permanent organization will be made Sunday with 25 members and officers will be elected. The club will hire and furnish rooms over Brousseau's furniture store in Sibley's block on Main street.

Marcus C. Kendall, 82, was found unconscious at his home on Main street yesterday morning about 3 o'clock. Mr. Kendall had apparently fell out of bed. The fall was heard by the family of George A Barton Jr., and Mr. Barton went to Mr. Kendall's room. Dr. Moore was summoned and stated that Mr. Kendall had sustained an apopletic stroke and was in a precarious condition. Frederick Kendall, the only child of Mr Kendall, arrived from Wallingford, Ct., last night to care for his father.

WALES.

Many people are suffering with the grippe.

Several children about town are suffering with chicken pox.

The schools were closed two days on account of the deep snow.

Mrs. Louisa Braman, who lives in the south part of the town, is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Thompson attended the funeral of his aunt at Dover last Saturday.

T. J. Hynes has his new store nearly completed and will dedicate it to-morrow night with a dance.

Mr. and Mrs. George Steene were called to Franklin Tuesday by the illness of Mrs. Steene's sister, Mrs. Clark.

A card boy named Smokeley had a finger badly lacerated at the Golden Rod mill this week by getting caught in the cards.

Mail Carrier St. John carried the mail to Brimfield on horseback three days during the snow storm, he being the only one to make his trips between Southbridge and Palmer.

WARE.

Celebrated 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Little celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their home on North street Saturday afternoon and evening, a number of their friends calling to congratulate them. They were the recipients of a number of presents, including a purse of $100 from relatives. Mr. Little, who was 80 years old Monday, was born in Vergennes, Vt., and worked as a terracer and gardener until 10 years ago. Mrs. Little, who is also 80 years old, was born in St. Hilaire, P. Q., but moved with her parents to Vergennes, where she was married to Mr. Little in 1845. They came to Massachusetts about 20 or 25 years ago, and have lived since in Ware or Gilbertville. They have five children living, two sons, Henry of Gilbertville and Louis of Ware, and three daughters, Mrs. Eli King, Mrs. Joseph Goyette and Mrs. Peter C. Sloat all of Ware.

George Whalen has secured a position in Barnett's cigar store in Springfield.

Patrick McCrystal fell near the railroad station Monday night, breaking his right wrist.

M. E. Spencer was confined to his home with illness a part of the week and A. L. Hayden acted as station agent in his place.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Hibernians will hold a Valentine Party in the town hall Tuesday, the 14th. There will be dancing from 9 to 1 o'clock with music by Brunelle & Canavan's orchestra.

Mrs. Robert Hill of Washington and her daughter, Justina, have returned home after visiting with her brother, J. F. Robinson. Mrs. Hill's father, J. W. Robinson, went with them for an extended visit.

A reading club has been organized among members of All Saints' church, numbering 30, which will meet at different houses. The works of John Boyle O'Reilly have been taken up, and the next meeting will be held on Monday night with Mrs. Thomas Haley.

Rev. Oswald Loreton and Rev. Joseph Fox, the new Polish priests, have completed a census of their parishioners and state the total number of Poles in Ware at present to be just 1200, including 340 children. The first Poles to locate in Ware were John Lubelszyk, Joseph Miloa, Peter Kocima and Albert Cehula, and these four went there 15 years ago. The growth has been very steady, for eight years ago the number was placed at 800.

WARREN.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis W. Pearce are guests of friends in Boston and vicinity.

Miss Bessie Smith of New Britain, Ct., has been spending a part of the week in town.

Hayden Smith has resigned his position in E. Fairbanks' store and has taken a position with Smith & Wesson of Springfield.

The annual meeting of the King's Daughters, Onward and Upward Circle, was held Tuesday afternoon in the chapel of the Congregational church, and these officers were elected: President, Mrs. George M. Witt; vice presidents, Mrs. Fred W. Kimball and Miss Mary C. Burbank; secretary, Mrs. Fred C. Barlow; treasurer, Mrs. Herbert R. Burroughs; executive committee, Mrs. Eugene W. Root, Mrs. G. Walter Field, Mrs. James E. Miller, Mrs. Ralph B. Patrick, Mrs. Caroline I. Wilder; flower committee, Miss Mary S. Hitchcock, Mrs. C. E Perkins, Mrs C. A. De Land.

Mrs. Wilson H. Fairbank gave an "at home" Wednesday afternoon in honor of her guests, Mrs. Frank F. Phinney, Mrs Fred S. Webber and Mrs. Emma L Guilbert. About 150 were present, among those from out of town being Mrs. George W. Wells, Mrs Henry Cady and Miss Cady of Southbridge and Mrs. Charles Prouty of Spencer. Mrs. Fairbank was assisted in the reception room by Mrs. Edward Fairbanks, Mrs. Julia F. Newton, Miss Edith W. Chadsey, Miss Anna L Demond and Miss C. Louise Gilbert. Mrs Fred W Kimball and Miss Mary S Hitchcock assisted in introducing the guests

At the annual meeting of the Warren Savings Bank corporation Monday afternoon, the following officers were elected: President, William A. Jenks; vice presidents, Edward Fairbanks and Marcus Burroughs; clerk, Emory C. Sawyer; treasurer, Frederick W. Kimball; trustees, William A. Jenks, Edward Fairbanks, Marcus Burroughs, Charles B. Blair, Dr. Edgar J. Buck, John M Drake, Isaac E. Moore, Frederick W. Kimball, Fred E Wilcox, William L. Curtis and Joseph G. Hastings; board of investors, Edward Fairbanks, Marcus Burroughs, Dr. Edgar J Buck, Isaac E. Moore and Frederick W. Kimball.

The annual meeting of the Warren Steam Pump Company was held in Memorial Hall Tuesday afternoon. The report of the treasurer showed assets, cash and bills receivable, $4682 72; patterns and drawings, $33,996 01; real estate, building and equipment, $41,957.33; machinery and small tools, $44,918 30; merchandise, $56,430.57; liabilities, capital stock, $1466.50; notes and buildings payment, $45,348.13; profit and loss, $32,146.80. The following officers were elected: Clerk, Fred C. Barlow; treasurer, Frank F. Phinney; directors, Wilson H. Fairbank, George W. Wells, Edwin A. Carter, John J. Leach, Frank F. Phinney and Louis A. Gendron.

OUR LEGISLATIVE LETTER.

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interests and make any progress in freeing themselves from needless burdens for the benefit of the few. The experience of the parcels post in England and Germany justifies abundantly the introduction of the system in the United States.

Committee hearings have just begun to occur in any material number. To-day, February 1, they have reached 13, which is the largest number in any one day to date. Speaker Frothingham wonders why they are so slow in getting down to business and he finds, like every other speaker, that each House is new and does not begin where the previous one left off.

One of the queer developments of the session has been the appearance of shoeworkers from factories in Brockton before the committee on labor to oppose the recommendations of the governor in favor of the establishment of trade schools. One of the points made against the schools was that they developed competition with the unskilled workers on the part of persons who received their training by the state. The governor's reasoning reads as if he thought, when he discussed the subject in his inaugural, that it would be a great benefit to the workers to have such an opportunity to secure skilled training. But these workmen look at it in exactly the other light. The comment is made here that the same argument would apply against the public schools, because they bring persons educated at the expense of the state into competition with the ignorant and unskilled. The labor argument is very queer. It is always in favor of shorter hours and restrictions upon public employees, with salaries as high as possible, even though the burden upon the people be increased thereby, because they hope it will be an entering wedge for short hours and high wages for everybody. Yet there is constant opposition to the competition of persons who are educated at the public expense, no matter how much important service they may render to the public. It is all right to have a free dispensary for poor people, but it would be wrong to have dental work for poor people done at a similar expense to the public, because it would compete with the regular dentists. Complaint is heard because the farm at the Agricultural College competes with the other farms in Amherst, because one of the professors sells milk to the people, and it is affirmed that the town would be better off if both colleges were wholly swept off from the face of the earth, as far as the interests of the town are concerned. LANDON.

Not to Be Caught.

Hans was induced to have his house insured. It caught fire, and was partly destroyed, and Hans rejoiced in the prospect of getting the insurance money, which was more than the value of the house. He was not aware of the right reserved in fire insurance policies to rebuild, and was greatly disgusted when the company restored the house to its former condition instead of paying the policy.

Some time afterwards he was approached by a life insurance man who endeavored to persuade him to insure his life.

"Vot for?" asked Hans.

"Well, when you die, your family will get the money."

"Ach! dot vos no good mit me!" said Hans.

"Well, insure your wife's life," persisted the agent.

"Vot for?" inquired Hans again.

"If she dies before you, you'll get the money."

Hans pondered over the proposition for a few minutes and then replied:—

"Nein! Ov my wife die, I know what you do. You no gif me der money—you gif me anodder vife."—The Era Magazine.

When the Body Loses Height.

The boy when born is about half an inch taller than the girl. This difference is maintained till near the age of thirteen, when, in England and America, the average girl is taller and heavier than the boy. This halting, so to speak, on the part of the male is speedily recovered, and he again outruns the female in size. At the period of full development the man's average height compared with the woman's average is as sixteen to fifteen. Both men and women maintain their maximum height till the age of fifty years, when they begin to grow shorter, until at ninety they have lost three inches. The reason for this dwindling is attributed to the sinking of the soft parts between the bones and to the stoop gradually acquired by old people.—*London Leader.*

Afraid of Strong Medicines.

Many people suffer for years from rheumatic pains, and prefer to do so rather than take the strong medicines usually given for rheumatism, not knowing that quick relief from pain may be had simply by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm and without taking any medicine internally. For sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

Tailor Shop.

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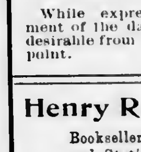
TO Charles R. Shaw, and to any and all persons interested in the real estate hereinafter described: Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Charles R. Shaw to Charles O. Walker, said deed being dated July 25, 1903, and recorded with Hampden County Deeds, libro 673, folio 64, for breach of the condition thereof, and for the purpose of foreclosing said mortgage, the said Charles O. Walker will sell at public auction, on the premises near the dwelling now occupied by the mortgagor, on Saturday, February 18, 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, said premises being described in said mortgage deed as follows:

"Beginning and bounded northerly on land now or formerly of Christopher Boyle, George Gould and others; westerly by land formerly of John Strickland; southerly on land formerly of John Shaw; easterly by land formerly of Elbridge Blair, it being the estate of the late Samuel Shaw, deceased, and is the homestead which I now occupy, containing 320 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Michael McBride to myself dated April 25, 1871, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 280, Page 395, and containing 55 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a warranty deed from Elizabeth Cox, bounded easterly by my other land and land of T. & L Brown; northerly, westerly and southerly by said Browns, containing 64 acres more or less, said deed dated March 9, 1869, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 267, Page 180. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer, fully described in a warranty deed from O. H. Owen, dated October 27, 1865 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 238, Page 26. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Mary A. Bliss and others, dated November 23, 1863, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 236, Page 276. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a Quitclaim deed from Martin Shaw to Samuel Shaw, dated January 14, 1848, and entered for record in Hampden County Deeds on June 4th, 1898. Also the estate situate in said Palmer and fully described in two deeds from Alfred K. Shaw and others, dated January 21 and 22, 1869, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, that dated January 21, in Book 267, Page 181, and that dated January 22, in Book 413, Page 169 Also another parcel of land situate in said Palmer and containing 8 acres more or less, situate north of the "Merrick Lot," meaning and intending hereby to convey my whole estate as described in aforesaid deeds wheresoever situated and howsoever bounded and described. Excepting and reserving therefrom a certain tract of land sold by me to Packard and Lawton by my warranty deed dated December 12th, 1901, and also one other tract sold by me to Arthur F Thayer by my warranty deed dated January 27th, 1903 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 654, Page 442."

The sale will be made subject to all unpaid taxes and assessments, if any. Three hundred dollars will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale.

44-3 CHARLES O. WALKER.
By J. H. Schoonmaker his Attorney.
Palmer, Mass., January 20, 1905.



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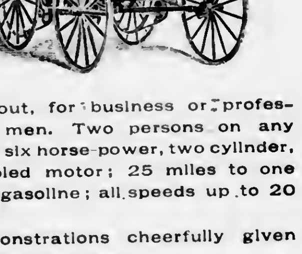

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Photographer—"Beg pardon, sir, but can't you look a little less stern and severe." Sitter—"Never mind how stern I look. This is for campaign use. I am a candidate for judge. Go ahead."—Chicago Tribune.

The Only Survivor

of the Hayes Arctic Expedition, Mr. S. J. McCormick, now U S. Deputy Mineral Surveyor, Bliss Station, Idaho, says: "For years I have suffered from severe pains in the hip joint and back bone, depriving me of all power. The cause was Stone in the Bladder and Gravel in the Kidneys. After using Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Rondout, N. Y., I was completely cured.

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Gritty George—"Poor Dusty must have lost his mind." Sandy Pikes—"How so?" Gritty George—"Why, he read about a man dat slipped through prison bars by smearing himself wid soap and he says he's going to do the same."—Chicago News.

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Mother—"Don't you think Ferdinand is very rough?" Daughter—"Oh, no; he shaves every day."—London Chronicle News.

Made himself solid—"John," said the wife, "you'll admit that you're a bright brainy man and have leading qualities?" "I certainly will!" was the modest reply. "Then why don't you run for President of the United States?" And as he clapsed her to his bosom, he said, "Molly, I can't bear to leave home!"—Atlanta Constitution.

As Brother Williams was preparing to baptize a convert in the mill pond, the convert said: "Bre'er William's, ain't dat an alligator on dat log yonder?" "Hit sho is!" exclaimed Bre'er Williams, "en a 10-foot one, at dat!" "What we gwine to do 'bout it?" "Well," replied Bre'er Williams, "de water is mighty cold to-day, en dey's lots er pneumony gwine 'roun; en, 'sides dat, you ain't fittin' ter be baptized, nohow. Go 'long home en pray over yo' sins."—Atlanta Constitution.

A well-known minister of this city took down the receiver of his telephone one morning recently, and asked for a certain fish market. "Hello," he said, when the connection was made, "have you a fresh haddock this morning?" "No," was the reply in a smarty tone, "but there's a fresh lobster on the other end of this wire." "Who is this?" asked the man of the cloth. "Blankdash's saloon," was the reply, and the conversation closed.—Lawrence American.

A gentleman while on a trip through the south came across an old colored woman sitting at the door of her cabin, smoking a short clay pipe. He stopped to chat with her, and took occasion to joke with her about her smoking. "Aunty," said he, "that's a pretty bad habit of yours. And such a pipe! Why, the smell of it is horrible! How do expect to go to heaven when you die with a breath like that?" "Why, boss," the old mammy replied, "when I die I'spects to lose my breath."—Robert H. Blake, Towanda, Pa.

A KNIGHT IN SPAIN

By.... KEITH GORDON

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The partition was not very thick, and the girl often heard him whistling or singing in the next room. His repertory was extensive and confusing. "She's the bestest girl that is, and I need her in my biz," would float in to her, followed perhaps by the strains of "Samson et Delilah" or some music equally fine.

One knew the sort of a man who would sing coon songs with gusto; also the sort that would hum bits from the grand operas. The puzzling thing was to know what sort of a man would take an impartial delight in both. So in the intervals of her work she began to speculate about her unknown neighbor.

At the end of two months she tabulated her knowledge of him. He was gay and debonair. Witness the scraps of song that floated in to her. He was carelessly indifferent to women. This she gleaned from the fact that five days out of seven she could hear him tunefully asserting:

If she be not fair to me,
What care I how fair she be!

He smoked inveterately—a pipe, she fancied. Sometimes the faint, elusive spirit of the thing seemed to float about her hall bedroom, and she sniffed again and again, her small head well in the air, but could never be quite sure. The partition bore her startled scrutiny imperturbably, but—well, she was sure she smelled smoke.

He was about thirty. This she divined from the freshness of his voice and his boyish delight in the chatter of the elderly chambermaid, whose Irish wit would send him into peals of laughter.

Also he was a man of the world, since she heard him come in early many evenings and move about his room as if dressing for dinner. Then at half past 6 or 7 he would go out again, leaving her with an absurd sense of desolation.

They never encountered each other in the halls, much to her satisfaction, but she came to have a very distinct idea of his appearance. He was tall, broad and straight, with a clear cut face and an air of knowing his way about.

"Sure, an' he's a fine gintleman," Maggie informed her once; but, though she might have verified her idea of him, she refrained with a fine sense of personal reserve. Sometimes through the open door she caught a glimpse of his room, and her interested eyes took in the dark green walls, covered with handsome photographs, the low bookcases on either side of the fireplace and the low, broad table with its litter of books and papers.

"It certainly looks as if he were an interesting man," she thought to herself, and thereupon she entered her own room, and, taking out a sheet of paper bearing the mystical heading "My Knight In Spain," she wrote:

"Evidently educated—a college man; profession, law, literature or something of the kind."

"Maggie, is there any one in the next room?" she heard him inquire one Sunday morning. Then in answer to Maggie's mutiled reply: "Little Miss Mouse, I should call her. I didn't know there was any one there, though once or twice I've thought I heard some one."

The girl blushed guiltily. Apparently he had no idea how plainly she could hear him. Then she smiled to herself. So he would call her little Miss Mouse. Well, it was fair enough, since she called him her Gentleman of Spain.

For awhile after this she noticed a decided effort on her neighbor's part to go softly. In the midst of a stave he would cease abruptly, only to begin afresh and stop again with an impatient exclamation, as if he were annoyed at not being able to remember to be quiet. At all of which, in the seclusion of her room, little Miss Mouse laughed immoderately, though in silence.

Then one morning Maggie found her in bed, her usually pale face flushed, her heavy hair covering the pillow in a tossed and tangled mass.

"It's nothing, but perhaps you'd better get a doctor," gasped Miss Mouse. "My head's so queer, and, oh, I'm so warm!"

Soon after a serene faced nurse in a striped uniform and white apron was installed in the room, and to her little Miss Mouse, down with brain fever, talked an unending jargon.

"If you can have a castle in Spain, you can certainly have a knight in Spain, can't you?" she demanded over and over again.

"Of course you can," soothed the nurse.

"I'd be very lonely if he vanished, as castles in Spain do," she said at another time, with wistful, puzzled eyes. "You don't think he will vanish, do you? Because I'm all alone here. He's the only person I really know.

"Won't you ever tell, upon your honor?" she rambled on. "It's very strange. I don't just understand it, but actually I have never seen him! Can you believe it, I've never seen him, and yet I know him so well. I don't understand it, and my head is splitting. Hold it! Hold it!"

The man in the next room was very quiet these days. From Maggie he had learned of the little artist's illness, and from her also he heard of the strange hallucination about the man in Spain. When she told him he shot a quick, piercing look from his deep set eyes, but evidently there was no connection in her ..... between the sick girl's fancy and himself.

Instinctively he knew the truth. "Poor little girl," he mused. "Lonely, struggling, with nothing to feed her love of companionship and romance upon but the sense of fellowship with the unseen occupant of the next room. It is well that she hasn't seen this ugly mug of mine," he concluded grimly.

So he fell into the way of stopping to inquire about her of the nurse each morning and then of sending great bunches of violets, upon which the sick girl's half conscious eyes rested later on with dreamy pleasure.

"Who picked them?" were her first intelligent words when the fever left her and she became herself. Then, realizing where she was and what had happened, she laughed weakly and corrected herself, "Who sent them, I mean?"

At the reply a faint color crept into her cheeks, and she murmured something the nurse did not catch.

Then came the days when she sat up, feeling like a new creature come to a new world, though in appearance she was more than ever like a frail child.

"Come in. I think she would like to thank you," said the nurse when one day the man stopped to make his usual inquiry, and a moment later he was standing before little Miss Mouse, his heart thumping at the gaze of two dark fringed eyes that reminded him of violets.

She stammered out her thanks, scarcely knowing what she said, so great was her astonishment, for, in fact, the Knight In Spain, whose face she thought she knew as well as her own, was dark and most uncompromisingly ugly. Besides, he was oldish if he was a day—and—and—

In another moment her surprise was forgotten. A big, strong hand was holding hers, and the voice that she liked so much was speaking. There was a vibrant tenderness in it that she had never noticed before—that seemed personal, that suggested, outlandish as the idea was, that to her of all the women in the world would he ever speak in just that tone.

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It was on their honeymoon that, longing to hear over and over again the beautiful truth, he questioned:

"You're sure you don't regret marrying an ugly brute like me?"

She laughed softly, laying her cheek against his, but she did not speak. With quick pain he pulled the face down where he could look into the depths of those dark fringed eyes. His lips touched her hair, and he murmured brokenly, "Oh, little Miss Mouse!"

The Dangers of Orchid Hunting.

The most beautiful region the orchid collector meets in his travels is along the Orinoco, the Rio Negro and the Amazon, in South America. The scenery at times passes beyond the beautiful and becomes so grand as to be almost terrible. Everything is on such a great scale. The rivers are the largest in the world, veritable seas at high water, the vegetation luxuriant beyond comparison and the animal and fish life startlingly strange. There we find the Cattleya Schroederoe, a magnificent orchid with white flowers, which blooms about Easter time. But the dangers and vexations of a trip on the Orinoco, for instance, would hardly be believed. Miles and miles back from the coast in the district where the orchids are found the Indians are in a wild state and are foes to all white men. They lurk in the bushes along the banks of the river and shoot poisoned arrows at you if you happen to venture within range of their blow guns. The center of the stream is the only safe place. During the rainy season the mosquitoes swarm on the Orinoco in clouds, and sleep is next to impossible. Even the grass when you venture ashore is your enemy.—Harper's Weekly.

The Spoiled Children of the World.

Burmese children are the spoiled children of the world, according to V. C. Scott O'Connor. In his book, "The Silken East," he says that they are never punished by their parents, who universally adore them. They grow up in the open air with all the grace of young, unchecked life. "The sheer joy of life abides in them," says he, "and they seem to live perpetually at play in the village street, where they play a game of ninepins with the great seeds of a jungle creeper; in the monastery, where they lie upon the floor and scream out their lessons with lusty delight; in the river, in which they splash and plunge before they can walk; at the play, where they crawl about among the feet of the prima donna and the posing kings, and at the pagoda, where they hold flowers before them with faces screwed up to gravity, with laughter pent up behind it. And if there be any dispute about the good looks of their elders there can be none as to the prettiness of Burmese children."

Creatures of the Unfathomed Deep.

Such fierce carnivorous fishes as exist in the depths of the ocean are unknown at the surface. There is the "black swallower," which devours other funny creatures ten times as big as itself, literally climbing over its victim, first with one jaw and then with the other. Another species is nearly all mouth, and, having no power of locomotion, it lies buried in the soft ooze at the bottom, its head alone protruding, ready to engulf any prey that may wander into its cavernous jaws. There is a ferocious kind of shark resembling a huge eel. All of these monsters are as black as ink. Some of them are perfectly blind, while others have enormous goggling eyes. No ray of sunlight ever pierces the dark, unfathomed caves in which they dwell. Each species is gobbled by the species next bigger, for there is no vegetable life to feed on.

Womanlike.

"Please, ma'am, the florist's man left some roses addressed, 'To the most beautifni woman in the world.'"

"Yes. Where are they?"

"Why, you see, I didn't know whether they were for me or for you. Suppose we divide them."—Boston Journal.

A Double Pleasure.

The Lion—If I had your figure I'd go to the theater every night.

The Giraffe—Why so?

The Lion—You have the advantage of being able to sit in the orchestra and see from the balcony at the same time.—Leslie's Weekly.

Could Meet, but Not Greet.

Caller—Mr. Ardup, you said last month if I would come on the 15th you'd be ready to meet this note, and I've brought it. Mr. Ardup—Why, the fact is I'm—er—ready to meet it for old acquaintance sake, but it's simply impossible for me to be chummy with it. Can't you come again some time next week?—Chicago Tribune.

ON THE DAY BOAT

By LUCY BARNES

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Margaret was sure that there was something wrong. A sense of the unfitness of things had been growing upon her for full fifteen minutes. Seated in the corner of a big divan on the Albany day boat, she had gradually wakened to the realization that, no matter who passed by, glances furtive and open had been cast in her direction.

Not that this was an unusual attention for Margaret to receive. Glances of admiration had followed her ever since she had passed from spindling girlhood into glorious young womanhood. But these glances were different. The expression in the eyes of the women said quite clearly, "Thank heaven I am not as you are!" The admiration in the eyes of men was mixed unmistakably with pity.

Margaret reached blindly in the direction of her hat. The little bend in the back was squarely above the coil at the nape of the neck. Perhaps it had slipped back too far. She raised her hand and felt of her pompadour. She knew by touch that there was just enough hair showing in the front. It might be soot on the tip of her nose. She drew forth her handkerchief and dabbed the tip of that member, but no spot showed on the cambric. Then she tried her chin and her cheek bones with the same result.

An odious woman, lolling in a patent rocker, smiled at her, but it was a pitying smile. Not for worlds would Margaret have asked that woman what was wrong. And a woman who wore a lace net dress to travel in would not have sense enough to tell another woman what had happened.

By the time Margaret had reached this conclusion she was actually perspiring with nervousness. She was not a girl whose thoughts ran entirely on dress and appearance, but she viewed with scorn the ungroomed woman. And at this moment she was morally certain that her grooming had slipped a cog. She reviled the management of the boat line which did not panel its saloon with mirrors, but not for worlds would she have walked the length of that saloon to a dressing room. She preferred to sit in the limelight of the restless passengers to running the gantlet of the lounging passengers.

She was ready to call herself names for having declined, with thanks, the vanity bag her brother Dick had wanted to give her on her birthday. She had taken a new collar for Pedro. Poor Pedro, grieving in the baggage room in the hold at this moment! What wouldn't she give now for the tiny mirror reposing in the rejected vanity bag?

Just then a young man loomed upon her gloomy mental horizon. The boat had made a landing at one of those small towns from which tourists reached the Catskills. The young man looked exceedingly cheerful and harmless. Margaret decided upon this the instant her troubled glance met his. His eyes were the sort to create a feeling of trust. He was good looking, but Margaret instantly decided that he couldn't be blamed for that. Anyhow, he was looking for somebody, and she became restless. She met his look of inquiry with a nod of invitation and deliberately drew her skirts to one side as if to make room for him on the divan.

The young man accepted the unspoken invitation with alacrity. He stood before her, hat in hand.

"Awfully good of you," he said, looking down at her frankly. "I didn't recognize you at first. You've changed quite a bit since you had that last picture taken."

Margaret gasped. She had thought her own impertinence quite impossible once the die was cast, but this young man's nerve was monumental. She lowered her voice so that the woman in lace net could not hear what she said.

"Sit down, please, and I'll explain. Of course you were not looking for me, I know that. But you—er—play the part much better than I could. I was in such trouble, and I just had to speak to you."

Just for an instant a puzzled expression passed over the man's face. Then he pulled himself together and sat down beside her.

"I am tremendously glad to be of service to any lady in distress. What particular form of distress has overtaken you?"

Margaret looked straight into his trust inspiring eyes, and her own danced.

"I am a victim of woman's 'inhuwomanity' to woman. Don't you dare to laugh when I tell you this, but every woman who has passed me for the last half hour has looked at me as if my hat was crooked or I had soot on my nose or my skirt and blouse had parted company. Will you please tell me what is the matter?"

The young man tried not to give way to the mirth which was welling up within him and looked her over critically.

"Well," he said judiciously, "I can't see anything wrong except that the thing you wear for a collar seems to have slid around. Does the bow belong under your left ear?"

Margaret clutched at the offending bit of ribbon.

"My stock! I never thought of that!" She pulled the bit of embroidered linen till the bow was poised, with outspread, saucy wings, directly under her piquant chin.

"Now, is that right?" she asked, looking up into her human mirror.

"Correct and trim as you please," he said reassuringly and watched her while she fastened the unruly stock with a tiny pearl headed pin.

"You wouldn't believe what a miserable half hour I have put in. I know now that odious old cat in the patent rocker has grinned afresh each time my stock sprang a fresh notch. Isn't it funny that women can't show a little Christian courtesy to each other?"

"Well," said the young chap thoughtfully, "I'm very sorry I didn't get here half an hour sooner. I might have saved you some—er—trifling discomfort."

But that wasn't what his eyes said at all, and Margaret woke with a start to a realization that, after having made use of the young man, it was not going to be easy to get rid of him. But what annoyed her the worst of all was the fact that she felt that she was not particularly anxious to get rid of him. He had put down his bags and settled himself back in his corner of the divan in a way that suggested that he meant to stay until New York was reached.

"Do you believe in signs and omens?" she asked.

"Sure! Something tells me this is going to be an awfully jolly trip. I usually dread the ride into town, but then"—

"Well, when I go home I shall say unpleasant things to the friends who advised me to take the boat trip down the Hudson. Oh, I didn't mean to be personal! I beg your pardon. I was merely referring to the babies and the lunch. I can't sit on the deck because the sight of lunch boxes and perpetual eating makes me positively ill."

"We'll remedy that. I know a little corner where they don't admit either babies or lunch boxes. If you'll just wait a minute I'll fix the matter up. I have a little stand-in with the captain of this boat."

He rose, but she laid a detaining hand on his arm. "You really mustn't! I"—

"Now, see here," he said frankly, "you're calling yourself all sorts of things because we haven't been introduced. It's all nonsense, don't you know. We were bound to meet after the conventional fashion some day. Something—er—tells me so."

It may have been that Margaret wanted to get out in the fresh air or it may have been because she felt it her duty to change the expression in his eyes which were looking at her so eagerly. He strode down to the purser's room and paid the price of the best stateroom on the boat, which gave them access to a tiny patch of deck room shut in on the other side by a lifeboat, a stack of life preservers and a most uncompromising railing. From this point Margaret viewed the beautiful panorama of the Palisades, and the young man, loyal New Yorker that he was, insisted that it was purely his duty to make his state show up at its best.

The last ten or fifteen minutes of the trip were uncomfortable ones for Margaret. Mrs. Grundy whispered in one ear that she had already been indiscreet, and it was her duty to drop the young man forever. Her sense of fairness whispered in the other ear that she owed him something for his courtesy.

As they gathered up their traps to disembark it was quite evident that the young man was not giving himself any anxiety over the situation. He took her checks. He even accepted Pedro as a matter of course. He led the way to a hansom without asking her so much as where she was going. When she and Pedro were settled in the vehicle the young man stood with one foot on the step.

"Will you tell him to take me to the Grand Central?" she asked.

"I have already done so," said the young man placidly, and, without hesitation, he sprang into the hansom and sat down beside her.

Margaret was speechless, not sure whether she was glad or sorry. Was the young man trying to kidnap her, or was he a mind reader? She was certain she had dropped no hint as to her destination.

"You see, I knew you all the time. You are Margaret Trenton, and you are on your way to visit Etta Wilson at Rye Beach. I saw your name on your luggage."

Margaret looked at him in wonder.

"Yes, but Etta! How do you know Etta?"

"Oh, she's my cousin! It was you I was looking for all the time. She had asked me to meet you on the boat if I happened to be coming down at the same time from the Merriam house party. I very nearly missed you because—because—well—that picture doesn't do you justice."

"Oh!" said Margaret, feeling somehow that there was nothing else to be said.

"I was going on to Newport for a week, but I think I'll stop off at Rye." Margaret's glance fell, and a slight flush spread over her face. The young man's lips twitched.

"I think you need me there—to let you know whether your hat is on straight."

Then they both looked at each other and laughed, and Pedro, in sympathy, pounded the floor of the hansom with his tail. It is so good to be young.

Out of the Mouth, Etc.

The Sunday school teacher was telling her scholars about the fall of Jericho.

"And the people marched around and around," she said, "singing songs and blowing trumpets, until all of a sudden down came the walls and"—

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Aubrey de Vere, the poet, and his family were for long years intimate friends with Tennyson, who borrowed the whole of his famous Lady Clara's name from them, for one of them was actually a Vere de Vere. Lady de Vere, it is said, did not quite like the association of her name and of a little something like hers with the character of the hard hearted and haughty Clara. "Why should Lady de Vere be aggrieved?" was Tennyson's reply. "I have not given her name to an ugly woman nor to an old woman, only to a wicked one."

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One autumn evening in the year 1646, the year after the battle of Naseby, when the royalist cause in England was irretrievably lost and the Cavaliers scattered to the winds, the day coach lumbered along a muddy road between London and Hertford. The occupants were two ladies, mother and daughter, who had been to London to shop and were returning to their home. When daylight and night were mingling the coach was halted, and a masked man, riding up to the window with cocked pistol, looked within to discover the character of the occupants. Upon seeing the two ladies his hat came off and was swung with a grand sweep along his horse's flank, its plume almost touching the road. The hat's removal, besides revealing more perfectly the glossy hair hanging in long curls over the wide lace collar, left uncovered a scar running diagonally across the man's forehead. While there was enough daylight left to show these features, the ladies in the closed coach were but indistinctly visible, especially the younger one, who sat on the opposite side from the highwayman.

"Ladies," he said, "these are unfortunate times. The king's service has given way to service on the road. Nevertheless you have only to say, 'Long live King Charlie!' and you will not be expected to pay toll."

"Long live King Charlie!" gasped the elder woman.

"And what says your companion?" asked the highwayman.

"She says the same," the mother hastened to reply. "We are a royalist family."

But the companion uttered never a word. The robber, who evidently was not in love with his profession, was about to turn away when curiosity prompted him to say:

"Then let her speak."

Still the girl kept silence, drawing farther back into her corner.

"If you are a Roundhead I must ask some contribution to the royalist cause," said the highwayman.

Straightway the girl pulled a ring from her finger and handed it to him. At the moment wheels were heard coming down the road, and the highwayman disappeared.

Two years passed. The younger of the two ladies who had been robbed was one morning handed a letter, which she opened and read:

Written on the 10th of April, 1648, at Paris, in France, to Ruth Spencer at Hertford, in England.

Ruth, My Beloved—I have but a few minutes before the postman rides to say that my uncle being dead and my cousin having been killed in a brawl, the family estates come to me. I follow this very soon to claim my property and the only girl I have ever loved. Your devoted

ROGER.

The girl had scarcely finished reading when the writer, a young Cavalier, entered, flushed with pleasure at seeing her, and was about to advance to take her in his arms when he was stopped by the look with which she regarded him.

"Ruth," he said reproachfully, "have I waited all these years for nothing? Am I to be made miserable when I expected to be made happy?"

"It is several years since I have had any account of your doings, Roger. First assure me that you have not lived as so many of the young royalist officers have lived since the wreck of our hopes. I am told that as many as a hundred captains after Naseby took to the road. It is true they treated the king's adherents kindly, but levied on all Roundheads. Others, I hear, have spent the time no better employed abroad. Tell me, Roger, what have you been doing these three years?"

The young man hung his head.

"Let us skip that wretched period, dear Ruth. There is much in them that is painful for me to remember."

At that moment he caught sight of the girl's finger on which three years before he had placed a circlet of gold.

"Oh, Ruth, you have deserted me for another. You have accepted a pearl in place of my golden circlet."

"No, Roger, I have not. Father gave me the pearl. What you gave you had a right to take again."

"I take again? You speak in riddles."

"Listen. One evening two years ago, just before the November frosts, mother and I were journeying home from London in the day coach when one of those royalists who had turned highwaymen rode up to the coach window to rob us. He took off his hat, and I saw the scar left by the wound that I had myself bound up after the battle."

The young man took a step backward, putting his hand to his forehead convulsively to conceal the telltale scar.

"I would not shout for King Charlie under compulsion," continued the girl, "and as I had no choice but to do so or give up the only thing of value I happened to have with me I took off my ring and gave it to him. Doubtless he has it now."

The young man covered his face with his hands.

"If you would like to return it to me, Roger, I will accept it of you," said the girl kindly. "You fought nobly for your king and only yielded to the same temptation as many others. I am with you in forgetting that dark period and in hoping for a restoration of our legitimate king."

"I did not recognize the ring," moaned the man. "There was no distinctive feature about it by which I would know it."

She went to him, took his hands from before his face and said:

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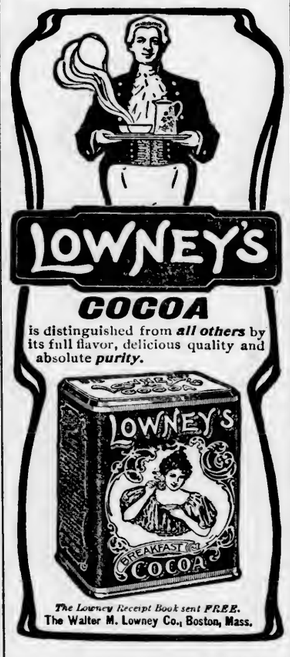

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NOT A BIT OF INTEREST.

High School Building Committee Holds Lone Session.

NO SUGGESTION FROM ANY CITIZEN.

Probable That Addition to the Present Building Will be Recommended Instead of New School.

The committee appointed to consider the needs of the town in the high school line met at the school building Saturday afternoon and organized with the choice of D. F. Dillon chairman and W. H. Norton clerk.

The committee had announced that it would be glad to have all citizens with opinions regarding the matter under advisement—the question of enlarged facilities for the high school, whether to build an addition to the present building or put up a new one—attend the meeting and offer suggestions, and it would be supposed, in view of the importance of the subject, that there would be a generous acceptance of the invitation. There were just two persons other than the members of the committee present; one of these was a member of the school committee who dropped in to see how matters were progressing, and the other was a man looking for a job on the new structure when it is decided just what is required—he had no suggestion whatever as to what plan to adopt.

After waiting a reasonable length of time and no one appearing, the committee adjourned to the high school building and critically inspected the premises, going carefully into details as to the present amount of room, the number and needs of the pupils, and other matters which might aid them in coming to a decision later.

One thing seems to be pretty definitely decided by the existing condition of affairs, and that is the additional room requirements will have to be met by an addition to the present building, and that a new building will not be asked for at this time. Perhaps the most vital reason for this is the fact that the town is already so near its debt limit that it could not, under the present valuation, borrow the sum it would require were a new building to be erected. Under these conditions and the fact that even with the addition the structure will not be best adapted to the needs of the school, it is probable that an effort will be made to keep the expenditure down to as low a figure as possible, with the idea that in the near future a new building will be built. Architects are at work on plans for an addition to the present building, and it is expected that the committee will have something definite to report before long.

THORNDIKE POOL MATCH.

S. M. T. A. S. 1203, Independents 1194.

The pool match between the S. M. T. A. S. and the Independent team of Thorndike the past week has not changed the leadership of the teams but has cut down the total of the S. M. T. A. S. materially. The latter now leads by only nine points. The first game was played on Monday evening at Massie's pool room between M. F. Hurley for the society and T. Longtine for the Independents. Hurley was victorious by a score of 100 to 78. The game Wednesday night at the Temperance Society's rooms between D. Bressette representing the Independent team and D. J. Sullivan, resulted in a victory for the Independents by a score of 100 to 68. The games the coming week will be between M. F. Loftus and M. F. Sullivan on Monday evening, and on Wednesday evening Charles E. Walker and Camile Pero will be matched. The following is the summary:

S. M. T. A. S.

C. E. Walker,	229
D. J Sullivan,	142
T. F. Sullivan,	240
P. Cahill Jr.,	71
W. C. Riley,	87
M. F. Hurley,	174
F. Longtine,	29
J. J. Mongeau,	40
P. Stokes,	100
M. F. Loftus,	100
Total,	1263

Independents.

C. Bressette,	195
T. Longtine,	160
D. Bressette,	198
W. LaPlant,	76
Wm. Gingraw,	94
Alex Goodreau,	41
F. Gebo,	60
M. Stokes,	29
F. McIntire,	23
M. F. Sullivan,	87
Geo. LaPlanie,	74
Camile Pero,	157
Total,	1194

"Ireland's Own" Band.

Next Thursday at the Court Square theatre in Springfield a concert of Irish music will be given by "Ireland's Own" Band, an organization of 50 musicians which not only hold the championship of Ireland, but carried off the grand prize at the St. Louis Exposition last September. Irish ballad singers and jig dancers are included in the band, which numbers about 50 members. At the close of the St. Louis Exposition, Burton Collver secured for an American tour the famous Irish band known as Ireland's "Own," which carried off first prize against all competitors at the Fair. The tour, which began January 1st, has been one of unprecedented success. Of one of the performances the Boston Transcript says: "The chief attraction was unquestionably "Ireland Own" Band from Dublin, the feature of the Irish industrial exhibit at the World's Fair, St. Louis, under the leadership of Major George Drum. The band distinguished itself in the rendering of "St. Patrick's Day," "Faugh a Ballard," selections from the "Bohemien Girl," and the "Star Spangled Banner," Lillian Powell, "The Irish Thrust," and "The Pretty Maid Milking Her Cow," and Michael McGinnity, with a voice so clear and sweet and in such a winning manner as to captivate the audience. Mr. James Brady sang "Cruiskeen Lawn", and "The Wearing of The Green," so as to make old memories almost overpowering—and the Kelly trio, the two gay lads and the winsomest lassie seen in ages gave a really unusual exhibition of traditional dances of the Emerald Isle.

Superior Court Entries.

The following cases of interest to the people of this vicinity were entered in the superior court in Springfield this week: Actions of tort—Paul LaCroix of Palmer against the Flynt Building and Construction Company of Palmer, for injuries received while in the employ of the defendant in building a dam on the Chicopee river at Three Rivers, $2000; Peter Kibala of Ware against Olmstead & Tuttle Company of Chicopee, for injuries received while in the defendant's employ, $5000 Actions of contract—Urzula Ruhaska Jonaj of Springfield against Paulina Zealeh of Warren for money had by the defendant to the plaintiff's use, $508 20; the Otis Company of Three Rivers against H. E. Shaw of Wales on account, $86 87.

Fine Monson Residence Is Destroyed by Fire.

Not a Thing Saved; Family Away From Home; Cat Gives Alarm. Fires in Bondsville, Ware and Wilbraham.

The handsome residence of Arthur D. Ellis, which stood at the head Green street in Monson, with its contents, was destroyed by fire Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis are in Georgia at present, and the house was in charge of Miss Mary Kennedy, with her niece, Miss Nellie Kennedy, and the man who has charge of the grounds and barn, William J. Corish, who lives in a cottage in the yard at the rear of the house.

Miss Kennedy and her niece, who had been out during the evening, returned to the house a little after 9 About the same time Mr. Corish had fixed the fires for the night, and everything was left in a safe condition. A few minutes past 10, Miss Kennedy was awakened by a cat in the house, which seemed to be very uneasy. On arising to let the cat out of doors she discovered that the house was filled with smoke. With her niece she ran to Mr. Corish's house and aroused him. He rushed to the house and first entered the cellar, where he could see no fire, but while looking around, the floor of the dining room fell into the cellar.

Mr. Corish rang in the alarm from the box in front of R. F. Bradway's store, but by the time the firemen had arrived and had a line of hose laid, the interior of the house was a roaring furnace and nothing could be saved. As there was a slate roof on the house, the flames did not break through for some time, but the fire inside was intense. The two streams of water which were played on the fire had little effect, and with the exception of the brick chimneys no part of the handsome building remains standing The alarm was rung in about 10.20 and at 12 o'clock the building was in ashes.

The origin of the fire is a mystery, although many theories are advanced, one of the most common of which being that it started from the electric light wires. It seems very likely however that the real cause will never be known.

The girls, who were employed in the house, lost all their personal property, as they barely had time to escape with their lives. Were it not for the uneasiness of the cat, which gave them the alarm, the result might have been even more serious.

The house which was destroyed was one of the handsomest and best furnished in town, and the loss will be very heavy. Just what the loss will amount to is not known and on account of Mr. Ellis's absence the amount of insurance cannot be ascertained. However, conservative estimates place the loss at from $50,000 to $100,000.

A tin box, containing some valuable papers and jewelry, was taken from the ruins early Wednesday morning, and its contents were apparently not injured. Several firemen remained about the ruins which were smouldering during the day Wednesday.

Word was sent Mr. Ellis's two sons who are at Amherst College, and they arrived early Wednesday morning. A dispatch was also sent to Mr. Ellis in Georgia, but it is not expected that he will come home at present. Mr. Ellis will probably rebuild at once, as he has large business interests in Monson, which would naturally keep him a resident of that town.

House at Bondsville Burned.

The house owned by John McKelligott on Prospect street in Bondsville was entirely consumed by fire at 5 o'clock Sunday morning. A defective chimney is supposed to have been the cause of the fire. The upstairs tenement was occupied by Mr. McKelligott and family, and the downstairs part was rented to a couple of Polish families. The house and the furniture belonging to Mr. McKelligott were insured, and John Chesnelevich, one of the Poles, had a small amount of insurance on his goods through the C. D. Holden agency, the latter of which has been adjusted.

Two at Ware Sunday, One Tuesday.

Ware was visited by two fires Sunday, the block owned by Joseph Albertine on Main street being badly gutted by fire in the morning and the automobile shop of E. S Ruggles on West Main street being entirely destroyed in the evening. The fire in the Albertine block was discovered about 3.45 in the morning. George Stratakos, a Greek, conducts the Ware cash market in the store at one end of the first floor, and a fruit store is operated by him in the other end. In the second story Henry Bordean has a barber shop over the fruit store, and the remainder of the block is occupied by John Albertine as a dwelling. The smell of smoke was detected by Mrs. Albertine, who with her husband and two small children, left the building with only time to throw on a few wraps. Fire did not break out into sight until after the firemen arrived, and had to be fought a long time, so much did it stay between the partitions and floors. Everything inside the building was ruined, but by hard work the firemen succeeded in saving the building, at a possible damage of $2000, fully covered by insurance. John Albertine carried $500 on his furniture and Stratakos had $1500 on his candy store contents. His loss may reach $600. Bordeau carried no insurance and his loss is placed at $200. The origin of the fire is not known, but it is thought to have started near the chimney between the first and second floors in a closet used to keep wood.

Fire broke out in the automobile shop of Estes S Ruggles between 10 and 11 Sunday night and the building and its contents were completely destroyed. An automobile of the heavy touring style, made by Frank Ruggles, who occupied the shop, and valued at $1200, was burned, and also a smaller machine belonging to Dr. A. A. Auger, which was worth $500 Besides these Mr. Ruggles had five gasoline engines burned, three of which were completed and ready for delivery March 1. Mr. Ruggles sustained a heavy loss in his fine collection of tools, including two lathes, valued at $1500. He carried $2000 insurance which covers the automobile and other stock, and his loss will be at least double the insurance. The loss on the building is placed at $1000, which is covered by insurance, and the automobile owned by Dr. Auger was also insured. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Another fire was added to the list in Ware on Tuesday night, when the house belonging to Mrs. John Roach of Hardwick, which is the second one beyond Muddy brook on the south side of Main street, was badly damaged by fire. Members of the family of H. F. Goodwin of Clinton street about 10.30 saw flames in the house, which was unoccupied, and an alarm was rung in by Mr. Goodwin. The fire worked up the stairway into the second story before it was put out. The loss will probably amount to about $500. The fire was undoubtedly of incendiary origin, as the door on the west side of the house was found open and the tracks of a man led from it to the rear of the house.

Wilbraham Loses Schoolhouse.

The schoolhouse in North Wilbraham, district No. 8, was burned Sunday afternoon about 4 30 The fire, it is thought, started in the shed and spread to the main building which was entirely destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown, the blaze being well under way when it was discovered. The men of the village saved nearly all the books and removed such furniture as was not screwed down. The building, which was located near the corner where the road turns off toward Wilbraham Center, was a three-room structure, built in 1879 at a cost of $2400. It was insured for $1600. It is probable that nothing will be done about erecting a new building until the annual town meeting in March, when the question will be brought before the voters for action. The school committee and selectmen met in a joint session Wednesday to talk over the matter of providing a place for the holding of school sessions. The Calkins house, which is situated about half way between Wilbraham and North Wilbraham, has been secured for the intermediate and advanced grades. The house contains two rooms, which can be fitted for the purpose, and it is hoped to have them ready for occupancy Monday. No definite plans for the primary grade has been made as yet.

THE BURNED LAWRENCE HOUSE.

Was on Farm Belonging to One of the First Settlers of the Town.

Anent the account in the Journal of last week relative to the burning of the "Old King Knox" house, there may properly be added some further facts concerning the history of the farm and some of its early owners.

The farm was first settled by James Dorchester in 1728, who soon built a log house just north of the house recently burned. The farm was confirmed to him in 1732 by the General Court, and in 1734 he sold it to John McMaster Sr., who had migrated from the north of Ireland in 1720 and settled for a time in Leicester, Mass He deeded the farm in 1739 to his son John, who soon after or about 1740, erected one of the first framed houses in town on or near the site of the one burned last week. In this house dwelt three generations, at least, of the McMasters, for John the third of the line was living there in 1809.

Col. Cyrus Knox bought the place for his son, King Knox, about 1848, when the old house was moved to the side of the gravel hill near the John Pasco place and converted into a slaughterhouse and used for many years for that purpose by King Knox, John Converse and many others. It possessed a style peculiar to its day, being two stories in front and one story in the rear. When erected it was doubtless the pride of its owner. The writer recalls a visit to it about 40 years ago, before it had been much defaced, and found the wainscotting of the lower rooms nearly intact, some portions of which were neatly carved, giving evidence of good taste on the part of the designer. The house was standing in 1890, but a few years after went down in ruins and the timbers were cleared away. If the Historical Society had been organized soon enough, this house would doubtless have been preserved as an invaluable relic of the early days of our town.

The house burned last week was built by Col. Cyrus Knox for his son, John K. Knox about 1850, who resided here until a few years ago, when the farm passed into the possession of S. W. Lawrence, the present owner. O. P. ALLEN.

Probate Court Business.

Sessions of the probate court were held in Palmer and Springfield Wednesday, when the following business of local interest was transacted: Administration granted in the estate of Caroline C. Collins, late of Lndlow, Annie A. LaBroad of North Wilbraham administratrix; will proved of Jason A Palmer, late of Palmer, Mary Palmer of Palmer and Willard A. Conkey of Ware executors; sale of real estate decreed in the estate of Mary McCarthy, late of Palmer.

OF INTEREST TO FISHERMEN.

Rulings on the "10-Hook" Law For Fishers Through the Ice.

The new law relative to the use of a certain number of hooks by persons while ice fishing is not generally understood, it seems, from the difference of opinion heard coming from those who indulge in this sport. The fish and game commission and their deputies are not prone to preserve the fishing and enforce the laws on ponds which are not "great ponds" of the state; that is to say, a pond shall be 20 acres or over in its natural state before the law in regard to the number of hooks is appliable. Persons wishing to fish on rivers or ponds of less than 20 acres are not compelled to abide by the new law and can use an unlimited number of hooks. On ponds of 20 acres or over it is unlawful for a person to use more than 10 hooks. The only pond in the town of Palmer to which the 10-hook law is appliable is Forest Lake, which is now closed under special laws for a term of three years and cannot of course be fished during the winter months. Few persons are also aware of the new pickerel law, which makes it unlawful to catch pickerel less than 10 inches in length. The law, Sec. 67, Chap. 329, Acts of 1904, is as follows: "Whoever takes from the waters of this Commonwealth a pickerel less than ten inches in length, or sells or offers for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, any such pickerel so taken, held in possession, sold or offered or exposed for sale, and in prosecutions under the provisions of this section the possession of pickerel less than ten inches in length shall be prima facie evidence to convict."

BASKETBALL.

Ware 19, Westfield 16.

Ware high school team won a hard-fought game from Westfield high at Ware Saturday afternoon 19 to 16. Ware led 9 to 7, at the end of the first half, and held a small lead all through the second half, which made the game exciting to the end. The summary:

Ware High.		Westfield High.
Davis, l f,		r g, Boyle
Brannigan, r f,		l g, Ellis
Clark, c,		c, Pease
Skiffington, l g,		r f, Dewey
Ryan, r g,		l f, Sheldon

Score, Ware High 19. Westfield High 16. Goals from the floor, Clark 4, Skiffington 2, Brannigan, Ellis 2, Pease, Boyle, Sheldon. Goals from free tries, Brannigan 3, Clark 2, Boyle 5, Ellis. Referee, "Tom" Riley. Umpire, D. M. Cole.

CAUGHT SUSPICIOUS COON.

Bunch of Skeleton Keys Found In His Pocket.

HANGING ABOUT TOWN TUESDAY EVE.

Fired From Street Car Waiting Room, Then Found in Upper Corridors Of Two Blocks.

Officer Crimmins rounded up a decidedly suspicious character Tuesday night in the person of a colored man who gave his name as Stanley A. Fagan and his residence as New Haven, Ct. He was charged with vagrancy, and in the district court Wednesday morning Associate Justice Dillon sent him to the house of correction for six months.

Fagan floated into town about 6 o'clock Tuesday evening and made the street railway waiting room his headquarters until about 11 o'clock, when Officer Crimmins asked him where he was going; he replied to Springfield, and went out as though to take the car which was waiting to start. He did not however, for later he was found loafing about the hallway of the second floor of the bank block by one of the members of the Business and Social club. The officer was notified, but when he reached there Fagan had gone. Later Crimmins was informed that the fellow was in the Commercial block, and this time managed to get there in time to catch his man. On searching him at the lockup a bottle of vaseline, a box of Scotch snuff and a bunch of skeleton keys was found in his pockets. He said that he was taking the snuff to his mother. He told numerous stories to different people, and could give no very satisfactory account about himself, and admitted while on the stand in court that he had lied. His reason for going into the buildings, he said, was that he proposed to sleep there.

BOWLING.

Shuttleworth's 2022, McCray's 1971.

Bond's new bowling alleys in Thorndike were open to the public on Saturday and to say that it was well patronized would be putting it mild. The first match game was played by teams captained by Thomas McCray and Frank Shuttleworth, which proved very close and interesting and was won by Shuttleworth's team, who had 5 points over their opponents. The following is the summary:

Shuttleworth's Team.

Daley,	89	100	135	324
Longtine,	87	109	128	324
Bell,	158	141	109	408
Tabor,	139	106	125	370
Shuttleworth,	127	121	150	398
Moran,	66	74	48	198
Total,	666	652	695	2022

McCray's Team.

Keefe,	140	91	113	344
Dunn,	92	96	93	281
Davis,	63	97	73	233
McKenzie,	141	147	120	408
McCray,	130	168	139	437
Donovan,	83	93	93	267
Total,	649	691	631	1971

Palmer 1191, Bondsville 1112.

Palmer won from Bondsville at Bond's alleys in Thorndike Monday evening. Tufts was high man with a single of 100 and a total of 258. The summary:

Palmer.

Tufts,	80	100	78	258
McIlride,	63	87	82	232
Cowee,	82	68	79	229
Ahearn,	77	78	77	232
Dr. Roche,	84	83	73	240
Total,	386	416	389	1191

Bondsville.

Moore,	72	83	38	213
Morlarty,	77	67	70	214
Arecotte,	54	64	68	226
Hayes,	74	78	82	234
Bowler,	82	68	75	212
Total,	399	360	353	1112

Three Rivers 2397, Palmer 2329.

Three Rivers won three points from Palmer in the third of the bowling series at Tufts's alleys Tuesday night. Three Rivers now has seven points and Palmer five. Upham was high man with 507. The summary:

Three Rivers.

Trickett,	145	182	152	479
Frame,	163	172	155	490
Lavene,	158	153	135	446
Story,	146	157	172	475
Upham,	178	173	156	507
Total,	790	837	770	2397

Palmer.

Tufts,	170	162	157	489
Keith,	136	190	156	482
Barrett,	134	150	170	454
Morrill,	127	166	158	451
Roche,	166	148	139	453
Total,	733	816	780	2329

Grocers 1498, Butchers 1403.

The grocery men defeated the butchers on Tufts's alleys last night by the score of 1498 to 1403. Parker of the grocers put up the highest score, 335. The summary:

Grocers.

Parkhurst,	101	106	87	294
Foley,	82	71	142	295
Parker,	98	134	103	335
Doyle,	108	95	70	273
Dwyer,	164	80	117	301
Total,	493	486	519	1498

Butchers.

Gunn,	93	148	78	319
Stacy,	85	107	75	267
Shaw,	111	82	88	281
Thompson,	81	106	98	285
Kempton,	80	82	89	251
Total,	450	525	428	1403

Spinners 1956, Beamers 1722.

The Beamers and Spinners had an interesting match of bottle pins last evening in Bond's alleys in Thorndike, resulting in a victory for the Spinners by 234 points. The following is the score:

Spinners.

Nephew,	119	109	147	375
Gay,	113	124	119	356
Reil,	110	131	129	370
Lafarar,	132	142	120	394
Norton,	125	201	135	461
Total,	599	707	650	1956

Beamers.

Hutchinson,	156	119	129	404
Chabot,	73	118	101	292
Gay,	112	122	113	347
Clark,	72	103	98	273
Shuttleworth,	135	120	151	406
Total,	548	582	592	1722

Norton for the Spinners bowled 201 points, giving him the record so far on the alley.

The first candlepin match in a series of five between the Bondsvilles and Palmers will be played next Thursday evening at Tufts's alleys in Palmer.

The S. M. T. A. S. of Thorndike are to organize two bowling teams and will, from the best players obtainable, select a first team who are to arrange matches with other teams in the villages of the town.

A small white dog with a broken leg took refuge on the piazza of a house on Knox street yesterday noon and whined dismally until taken away to be put out of its misery. The animal was very vicious, and could not be taken in the hands; it was necessary to slip a rope over its head and drag it away in this manner, much to the damage of the nerves of some who saw the animal on three legs but did not understand the circumstances.

The Journal.

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PALMER NEWS.

PALMER TOWN REPORTS.

Complete Set of Printed Pamphlets Collected by O. P. Allen.

A complete set of the printed reports of the town of Palmer since 1853, when the first report was printed, has been gathered by O. P. Allen. Knowing this fact, many people in Palmer and elsewhere have resorted to him for certain information which could not be so quickly found elsewhere. In order to render these reports *more accessible, Mr. Allen has* turned them over to J. F. Foley, town clerk, for preservation and for the better convenience of those desiring to examine them. The reports in the printed form will be an invaluable addition to the town archives, and it is hoped and expected that all future clerks will see that a copy of the report is added each year to the set, thus keeping it complete for all future time. It goes without saying that prior to 1853 it was necessary for one of the selectmen to read the annual report in detail in order for the voters to act upon it, and judging from the old records the town meetings in those days were even more spicy than now, as we often read this report of the clerk "Passed in the negative," which reveals the fact that there was not such a nice distinction in the use of words in those days as there should have been. It may be said in this connection that Mr. Allen also has complete sets of the reports of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society and of the Massachusetts State Agricultural Society, said to be the only sets in town

PAID FINE OF $20.

For Owning Dogs Which Chased and Killed Deer in Monson.

After considerable search Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner Luman found an owner for the two hounds caught chasing the deer in Monson last week, and a special session of the district court was held last evening to try the case. The owner of the dogs was a Somers, Ct, man, and gave the name of Fred E. Smith, though it is understood that the name Smith is assumed. He pleaded guilty and paid a fine of $20

A Notable Career.

Maj Gen. Oliver Otis Howard, who is to lecture in Palmer March 1st under the auspices of the Palmer Historical Society, has had a remarkable record. Born in Leeds, Maine, in 1830, at the age of 20 he graduated from Bowdoin College, and four years later from West Point Military Academy. From 1857 to 1861 he was professor of mathematics at West Point, resigning that position at the outbreak of the war to accept the colonelcy of the Third Maine Infantry. At Bull Run, Fair Oaks and Antietam he commanded a brigade. In the battle of Fair Oaks he received a wound which caused the loss of his right arm. At Fredericksburg he commanded the second division of the second corps, which participated in the bloody assaults on Marye's Heights. He was then transferred to the command of the eleventh corps, with which he served at Chancellorsville and Gettysburg. At Gettysburg on the first day of the fight he personally selected the famous Cemetery Hill position, which on the two subsequent days proved the salvation of the Union army. For the skill and heroic valor displayed in this engagement he later received the thanks of Congress in the name of the American people.

After Gettysburg he was called to the West, where he assumed command of the fourth corps of the army of the Cumberland. After the death of Gen. James B. McPherson before Atlanta he was again transferred to the command of the army of the Tennessee, which position he retained to the end of the war.

In December, 1864, Howard was made brigadier general in the regular army and in the following March was brevetted major general for services at Ezra Church and in other battles about Atlanta. In these engagements the Confederate army was commanded by Gen. John B. Hood, one of Gen. Howard's old academy mates, and at Ezra Church, the attack on Howard's line was made under the personal direction of Gen. S. D. Lee, one of his own West Point classmates.

In these later years, as during the war, the General has devoted his best energies to the service of his country. He was commissioner of the Freedman's Bureau from 1865 to 1874. In 1877, while in command of the Department of the Columbia, he conducted his great campaign against Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce's, the ablest Indian general of the nineteenth century. In 1881 he was superintendent of the West Point Military Academy, in 1886 he was made full Major General, and in 1894 was retired after 40 years of efficient and faithful service.

No man living in our country to-day has had a more distinguished civil and military career or has done more to entitle him to the honor and respect of his fellow citizens.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

Rev. Frederick Johnson of Springfield will conduct Episcopal service next Sunday. Visitors are welcome.

We have the largest number of patients in the history of the hospital. The census to-day is 489. Seven have been admitted during the past week.

Dr. J. W. Grosvenor of Buffalo, N. Y, spent the day Tuesday with Dr. Flood. He was on his way to celebrate his mother's 88th birthday. His mother is Mrs. Woods of Barre.

During the prolonged season of snow a number of the patients have had the opportunity to enjoy several sleighrides. It is the custom to take them out in large barge loads and they look forward to the pleasure.

Mr. Brignati was received with enthusiasm Monday evening and amused his audience for over an hour with legerdemain. His programme was mostly new, although the numbers that were repeated were enjoyed as much as ever.

Whittall Mills Society Holds Banquet.

The third annual banquet of the Whittall Mills Mutual Aid Society was held in the Nassowanno House Saturday evening, with a good attendance. During the supper hour selections on the gramophone were played under the supervision of Frederick Bressette and Frederick Barber. After the supper the following toasts were responded to: "Past, Present and Future of the Society," James Barber; "Health to the Heads of the Firm," Joseph Dobbins; "Mutual Aid and Kindred Societies," Alfred Swann; "Success to the Palmer Carpet Mill," Frank J. Roche and H. M. Howe. Vocal selections were given by David Sullivan, Walter Burford and Frederick Bressette, accompanied by H. Howe. The committee in charge of the affair was Supt. Joseph Page, James Barber, Joseph Dobbins, Frederick Bressette, William Tyers.

Probate Court's Last Session.

A session of the probate court was held in Palmer Wednesday, and this will probably be the last to be held in this town, as it is expected that the Legislature will pass the bill abolishing the sessions. Judge Long was not present, and at the close of the sessions Maj. Spooner, the register, presented Clerk A. E. Fitch a potted fern as a memorial of the last session of the court.

Last Meeting of Town Officers.

The financial year of the town will close next Wednesday, and the several boards of town officers will hold their last meetings for the current municipal year next week. The school committee will hold its meeting in the high school building on Tuesday evening at 7 30; the selectmen will hold their meeting in their room in the memorial building Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock; the overseers of poor will hold their meeting in the same place at 7 Wednesday evening. Bills against any of these departments which are not presented at these times remain unpaid until the first meeting of the boards in April.

Were Thrown From Sleigh.

A horse driven by Mrs. Porter Plimpton *became frightened on Main street Monday* afternoon by a snow plow on the electric road, and ran down the street. The sleigh struck a hitching post in front of Bills's market and Mrs Plimpton and Miss Sarah Kenyon, who was in the sleigh with her, were thrown out. As both women fell into a soft bank of snow they escaped serious injuries, although Mrs. Plimpton was bruised somewhat. The horse freed itself from the sleigh at that point, but was stopped after running a short distance. The dashboard and crossbar of the sleigh were broken.

Bit the Officer's Thumb.

Officer Hall Storer of Ludlow appeared in the district court Tuesday morning with a bitten thumb and Frank Prapsky, who was charged with disturbing the peace. Prapsky attended a wedding celebration Monday night and about midnight was "run" out because of his hilariousness. He continued his noise in the street and Officer Storer took him in charge, receiving a bite on the thumb during the mixup. Prapsky was sent to the house of correction for 30 days.

F. N. Carpenter is confined to his home by an attack of grip.

Mrs. D. F. Holden has been visiting friends in Worcester.

Miss Whiting is confined to the house with an attack of the grip.

G. M. Atkins has been spending a part of the week in Newark, N. J.

Mrs. P. E. Bard has been ill at her home on Converse avenue the past week.

Herbert Morgan has resigned his position as conductor on the street railway.

F. J. Hamilton has been confined to the house this week with a severe cold.

W. H. Woodhead of Fitchburg visited friends in town the first of the week.

John Duffy of Cambridge spent Sunday with his parents on South Main street.

The dancing class of P. J. Kelly held a valentine party in the opera house last evening.

Mrs. Abbie J. Lawton of Park street was called to Ware this week by the illness of a relative.

Mrs. B. S. Waite of Yonkers, N. Y., has been visiting her sister, Mrs. G. S. Holden, this week.

The W. C. T. U. will meet in the reference room of the library next Tuesday afternoon at 3.

Newton Wing of Amherst College spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. J. C. Wing on Central street.

Miss Carrie J. Fish of North Main street has secured a position as stenographer in Great Barrington.

Daniel Dwyer, who has been seriously ill for several weeks at his home on Pearl street, is recovering.

Dr. W. H. Pierce of Greenfield spent Sunday with his brother, E. R. Pierce, at the Converse House.

Joseph Page has been confined to his home in Blanchardville for several days with an attack of grippe.

John Milligan of Amherst college spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Ida G. Milligan, on Thorndike street.

Messrs. Manley and Pratt of Pittsfield have opened tailoring parlors in the Commercial block on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Howe of Westboro have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Howe on Park street this week.

Frank Patton of Wesleyan University is the guest of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. O. Patton on Pleasant street.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30.

Mrs. A. O. Berry of Rensselaer, N. Y., has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Converse on Park street.

In the district court this morning M. F. Burton was sent to the house of correction for 60 days on account of drunkenness.

There will be preaching services in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Elder Goodwin of Springfield.

A whist club, to be known as the "One Better" club, has been organized and the first meeting was held at the Converse house last evening.

F. F. Dunfield of Monson, who has charge of the mission work at Silver Street, occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church Sunday morning.

The D. Wood place on School street was sold at auction Saturday afternoon by Arthur G. Wood and the Palmer Savings Bank to Albert Ferry for $350.

The Royce greenhouse on Maple street has a California orange tree in full bloom which is very handsome and which the public is invited to call and admire.

Mass will celebrated for the first time next Sunday morning in the new Polish Catholic church at Four Corners. The church will not be dedicated until later.

There was another snow storm Sunday night which added about six inches to the amount already on the ground, and a little more—an inch or two—came Wednesday night.

The regular meeting of the Historical Society, which was to have been held Tuesday evening, will be held in the reference room of the library next Wednesday evening.

L. E Chandler has returned from Indianapolis, Ind., where on Tuesday he attended the meeting of the executive committee of the National Editorial Association, of which he is a member.

The Boston and Albany wrecking train came to Palmer this forenoon to replace on the track a car which had toppled over and blocked the C. V. track just north of the crossing of the two roads.

A number of the young people of the Christian Union of St. Paul's church had a sleighride Tuesday evening to Palmer Center, stopping at the home of R. A. Grimstone and enjoying an oyster supper.

E E. Hobson will go to Pittsfield this evening, where he will give an address before the Grand Army post, the Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans, appropriate to the observance of Lincoln's birthday.

Services at the Congregational church Sunday at the usual hours. Preaching at 10 45 a. m. and 7 p. m. Endeavor meetings at 4, 5 and 6 o'clock. Sunday school at 12 m; mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7.30

The severe cold weather has so diminished the supply of water in the spring which supplies the town farm that in order to be sure of a sufficient quantity for all purposes some is being drawn by team from a spring on another part of the farm.

The Monday Evening Whist Club was entertained this week at the home of Mrs. H. A. Northrop on Central street. The first prizes were awarded Mrs. W. P. Webster and Miss Sarah Harrison, and the consolation prize went to Mrs. Fred Harrison.

The firemen held a regular meeting Monday evening. The committee on the annual ball reported that the sum of $66 was cleared. Following the business meeting a smoke talk was enjoyed, with selections on the graphophone by Fred Bressette.

The Ladies of Columbus will hold a "Heart Party" in the opera house next Tuesday evening. Sanger's orchestra of Springfield will furnish music, and will be assisted by Prof. N. J. Comfort. Tickets may be obtained of members or will be on sale at the door.

The morning sermon at St. Paul's Universalist church next Sunday will be appropriate to the day—the 29th anniversary of the preaching of the first sermon to the parish in Palmer. The evening subject will be "Faith in the New Testament and Christ as the Son of God."

The cold weather is playing havoc with water pipes. The pipes of the Palmer Water Company on Foster avenue and Foundry street are frozen, and water takers on these streets are compelled to get along as best they can until the work of thawing them out is successful.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church Sunday morning will be "Saved for a Purpose," which is the eighth study in Ephesians. Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6; evening song service at 7, followed by the sixth of "The Questions of Men," "A Politician's Query."

A sleigh from the epileptic hospital was overturned yesterday afternoon while crossing the electric car track from the rear of the savings bank block on Thorndike street. Bystanders assisted in quieting the horse and freeing it from the sleigh, after which the latter was righted and the horse again attached to it with no damage of any kind.

The Woman's Relief Corps gave a dancing party in their hall Wednesday evening, the program being made up especially with a view to pleasing those who were more familiar with the square and contra dances of several years ago than with the two-steps and other dances of later years. There was a generous attendance and all greatly enjoyed the occasion.

Monday was probation day in the district court, and five probationers were discharged. The cases of four others were continued until March 6 Alber Guyer of Monson was convicted of drunkenness and sent to the house of correction for 30 days. One drunk was fined $5. The case of August King of Holyoke, convicted of drunkenness, was continued until Tuesday.

A meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club will be held in the parlors of the Universalist church next Friday afternoon. Mrs. Florence Howe Hall, a daughter of Julia Ward Howe, who has an extensive reputation as one of the most brilliant women on the lecture platform, will speak on "Personal Reminiscences of Distinguished Men." Persons not club member will be admitted on the payment of 50 cents.

John Madika of Ludlow was arraigned in the district court Tuesday charged with assault with a dangerous weapon on Tony Pzrdi. He pleaded not guilty, and on account of the victim's condition the case was continued until this morning, when he retracted his former plea and entered one of guilty. It was shown that at a wedding dance there was a row and Pzrdi was stabbed in the arm. Madika, who is only 20, was sent to the reformatory at Concord.

PALMER CENTER.

Miss Helen Stimson is confined to her home by sickness.

Henry Packard of Holyoke and Miss Emma Miller have been guests of R. Lamb.

A sleighride party of young people from St. Paul's church had an oyster supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grimston Tuesday night. A pleasant time is reported. The party returned about midnight.

BONDSVILLE.

Death of M. M. Culver.

Marcus M. Culver, 65, died at his home on Main street Tuesday night at 11.05 o'clock, after an illness of about two years of diabetes. Mr. Culver was born in Gilford, Vt., Dec. 14, 1840, and was married Aug. 25, 1862, to Miss Amelia N. Talmage of Belchertown. Since his marriage most of his life had been spent in Bondsville, he and wife having been residents of this place for 37 years. On the day of his marriage Mr. Culver enlisted in Belchertown in No. 46 volunteer infantry Co. H, and afterwards reënlisted in the 2d Mass. heavy artillery, with which he remained until the war was over. Mr. Culver had always been very patriotic, and was much interested in L. L. Merrick post, G. A. R, No. 107, of which he was a member and in which he held the office of color bearer. He is survived only by his wife, his two children having died several years ago. The funeral was held at his late home this afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. L. L. Beeman officiating. Burial was in the Four Corners cemetery.

Mrs. F. W. Langelier has recovered from a recent attack of pleurisy.

Miss Belle Snow of Enfield was the guest of Mrs. William Morse Tuesday.

C. L. Holden has been confined to the house this week with a severe cold.

Miss Helen Farnsworth spent last Saturday and Sunday visiting in Ludlow.

Miss Margaret Prindiville of Springfield is visiting her aunt, Miss Bridget Leary.

Mrs. J. C. Green is able to be out after a severe attack of tonsilitis and quincy sore throat.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold a meeting next Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. F. Dustin.

Alonzo Woods of Stockbridge was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Holden the latter part of last week.

Chester Mannion and wife, who have been visiting Mrs. Mannion's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bolter, returned to their home in Holyoke Saturday.

Mr. Hastings, who recently purchased the Cummings property in South Belchertown, has repaired the mill so that it is in good running order.

John McKelligott, whose house was burned Sunday morning, has moved his family into the vacant tenement on the same street, owned by Mr. Sullivan of Hardwick.

The funeral of Michael Sullivan, who died last week, was held last Saturday morning at 9 o'clock in St. Bartholomew's church, Rev. B. McKeany officiating. Burial was in the Thorndike cemetery.

The Young Girls' Sewing Circle which was to have held a meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Miss Grace Dustin was postponed. The meeting will be held next Tuesday afternoon at the same place.

The Ladies' Aid Society held a "Pie" supper in the vestry of the Methodist church Tuesday evening, which was well patronized and much enjoyed by all. Beef pies, hot potatoes and various kinds of pastry pies were served. The ladies will clear about $20 after paying expenses After the supper an entertainment was given, consisting of tableaux illustrating different advertisements, recitation by Miss Gladys Morse, readings by Mrs. Rowland McFarland, piano solo by Miss May Hamblen and gramophone selections by Edward Coto.

THREE RIVERS.

Thomas Pendergast spent Sunday in Warren.

Miss Lillian Abare is seriously ill with pneumonia.

James Machette is ill at his home in the brick block.

E. C. Coburn returned Wednesday from a trip to New York.

Miss Fannie Needham of Lowell is visiting Miss Maude Wilson.

A. F. Calkins is confined to his home with an attack of the grip.

H. Rabonowitz has sold his store on the Palmer road to Springfield parties.

James Wilson went to Boston the first part of the week on a business trip.

A new Corliss 500-horse power engine has been installed in the Palmer Mill.

A number of the young people held a sleighride party to Ware Wednesday night.

Thomas Holt resumed his duties in the cloth room Wednesday after a short illness.

Arthur Paulin is working for *John* Wilson during the absence of Harris Dupont.

Mrs. John Harrington returned from Amherst to her home on Anderson avenue Tuesday.

Robert Thayer of Westfield spent Sunday with his brother, Lewis Thayer at the Wenimisset.

P. Ralph Ryan has resigned his position in the Palmer Mill and has taken one with L. G. Barker.

The Red Men worked the "adoption" degree on Enos Abare and Ralph Senecal Tuesday night.

Mrs. D. C. York was taken to the House of Mercy hospital Tuesday with an attack of appendicitis.

Miss Jennie Abraham went to Rutland Monday, where she will stay until she recovers her health.

Felix Fournier has resigned his position in the Palmer Mill and taken one in the woolen mill at Palmer.

Daniel Dunn has been awarded the contract for the plumbing in Z Lacost's new house on Bourne street.

Miss Mertie York and Miss Winnifred Bracey of Attleboro are visiting Miss York's father, Rev. D C. York.

The subject for Rev. Charles Olmstead's sermon next Sunday morning will be "Burden Bearing"; the evening topic will be "Helpless Mariners."

Fred Holt of the training ship "Prairie," who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holt, returned to Boston Tuesday, where he will be assigned to one of the new battleships.

The H. A. Club met at the Riverside Hotel Wednesday night and elected the following officers: President, D. Horgan; vice president, Thomas Pendergast; secretary, Thomas Coogan; treasurer, F. Rotchford; corresponding secretary, Daniel Dunn.

S. W. Wells has taken a position as overseer in the cotton mills at Nashua, N. H. Mr. Wells came to Three Rivers in 1898 and has made many friends in this place. He intends to assume his new duties next Tuesday and his family will move to New Hampshire in two weeks.

The subject for Rev. D. C. York's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Cross of Jesus Christ"; the evening topic will be "Daniel's Great Prophecy." The weekly prayer meeting, which has been held on Wednesday evenings, will be held on Thursday evenings hereafter, and the Y. P. S. C. E., which has formerly met on Monday evening, will hold its meetings on Tuesday nights.

THORNDIKE.

Broke Two Ribs.

Adelard Christian, employed by the Thorndike Company, while handling cases of manufactured goods yesterday with a hook, slipped and fell and fractured two ribs on his left side. He was attended by Dr. J. C. Boulay.

Mrs. Daniel J. Sullivan ill at her home on High street.

Several from this place will attend the valentine party in Monson this evening.

Mrs. Ann Cahill of Holyoke is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Julia McGrath on Commercial street.

Several from Thorndike attended the dance given on Wednesday night at Palmer by the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. H. T. Bishop spent Tuesday in Springfield as the guest of Mrs. Cartwright, a former resident of this place.

Mrs. Abbott of West Warren passed Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sullivan of High street.

Mrs. Thomas Tagan and Miss Katherine Tagan of Warren were guests of Maurice Lawlor and family the past week.

William Holden, J. J. Kelley and Station Agent Edward Curtin passed Sunday in Warren as guests of William Foley.

Mrs. Thomas Longtine of Church street entertained a party of friends from Ware and Springfield at dinner on Sunday.

William Crimmins returned on Saturday from the Mercy Hospital, Springfield, where he has been under treatment several weeks.

Miss Mary O'Keefe of New Haven, Ct, spent the past week at the home of her parents, John O'Keefe and wife of Pine avenue.

M. F. Hurley's lunch room is to be connected with Bond's bowling alley. Mr. Hurley is to also install a new pool table for his patrons.

Many from this place anticipate attending the "Heart Party" to be given at Palmer on next Tuesday evening by the Ladies of Columbus.

Mrs. C. H. Hobbs returned this week from New York city, where she was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Eva Bishop, and her brother, Homer C. Norris.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church held their regular monthly social on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Samuel Thayer on Church street.

Stephen W. Moran of Boston paid a short visit to relatives here recently. Mr. Moran is a former resident of Thorndike, but is now engaged in Boston, where he is general manager and treasurer of a stock company for the manufacture of hydraulic faucets.

Moses Stone and family entertained Saturday evening a sleighride party of friends from Indian Orchard and Ludlow The evening was passed in dancing and music, vocal and instrumental. Refreshments were served. The party returned home at a late hour Sunday morning.

The following have been added to the S. M. T A. S. bazar committee making in all a committee of 15 who will have charge of the various duties incumbent upon them during the society's bazar, which is expected to open in Union Hall April 28: John Crean, Michael F. Loftus, Samuel Brown, George Riley, Daniel Healey, Timothy Sullivan, Charles Walker, Patrick Stokes, Fred Gay and Peter Cahill Jr.

Rev. Thomas Cosgrove, instructor in St. Bonaventure's College at Allegheney, N. Y., after several weeks as guest of Rev. Francis J. Lynch, pastor of St. Mary's church, returned to his duties at the college on Monday. Rev. Fr. Cosgrove by his genial manner and his fine delivery as a preacher has endeared him to the members of the congregation of St. Mary's church, and whenever he returns to Thorndike will find a hearty welcome awaiting him.

Several houses about town have been visited this week by men purporting to be selling eyeglasses and claiming to have an office in Springfield. The manners and methods are said to be of the boldest kind and in some cases they have been requested to leave the houses where they called. If these persons are doing a straight and legitimate business and hope to make a success of it they should change their manner of doing business or trouble is likely to result from it.

Two Very Special Offers!

This sale will positively close Feb. 18.

NO. 1.

Sheridan's Condition Powder,
Flagg's Poultry Food,
Prolific Poultry Food,
Royal Poultry Food,
Essex Flower Food,

A regular 25c package for 12c.

NO. 2.

A window full of KNIVES.

Blades have become a little rusty; made with cocobola handles and are superior quality.

10c will be Closed out at 10c

Main Street, **WHITCOMB & FAULKNER,** Palmer, Mass.

A horse owned by Walker & Kelley attached to a delivery sleigh, which was left standing at the Boston and Albany freight station, took fright at some unknown object Saturday afternoon and took a run up Commercial over High down Main and up Church streets as far as Moynihan's blacksmith shop where it stopped of its own accord. In turning up Commercial street the sleigh was overturned. The horse carried the front runners of the sleigh on the trip. No damage was done.

Fraternity Notes.

The Eastern Star meets this evening.

Palmer aerie of Eagles will hold a regular meeting next Thursday night

Thomas lodge of Masons will hold a regular communication next Monday evening.

There will be a regular meeting of the Daughters of Rebekah next Monday night

L. L Merrick, Woman's Relief Corps, will hold a regular meeting next Friday night.

The Sons of Veterans are scheduled to hold a regular meeting next Wednesday evening.

The Knights of Malta will meet next Tuesday evening, when the nomination of officers will take place.

Thomas lodge of Masons held a special communication Monday evening, when the F. C. degree was worked.

About 60 members of Thomas lodge of Masons went to Warren Tuesday evening to visit Quaboag lodge of that town. A special train was run for their accommodation.

A regular meeting of Tockwotton tribe of Red Men was held last evening The Chiefs were raised to their stumps by District Deputy W. A. Flouton and suite of Westfield.

Is it Right?

Is it right that a property-owner should lose $4 20 to let a dealer make 50 cents? A dealer makes 50 cents more on fourteen gallons of ready-for-use paint, at $1.50 per gallon, than our agent does on eight gallons of L. & M. paint and six gallons of linseed oil, which make fourteen gallons of the best paint in the world, at $1 20 per gallon; the property-owner loses just $4.20. Is it right?

It only requires 4 gallons of L. & M. and 3 gallons linseed oil to paint a moderate sized house.

Ten Thousand Churches painted with Longman & Martinez L & M. Paint.

Liberal quantity given to churches when bought from Asahel Wheeler Co., Boston; W. N. Flynt & Sons, Monson; John Wilson, Three Rivers; F. A. Gurney, Wilbraham.

DIED.

In Bondsville, 7th, Marcus M. Culver, 64.
In Holland, 2d, Laura Damon, 85.
In Warren, 6th, John R. Root, 83.

TENEMENT to rent on Dublin street. 45-tf The C. D. HOLBROOK CO.

WANTED—Position to do housework A home more than wages desired. Apply at MRS. MERRIAM'S, Pleasant St. 46-1ks

TO RENT—Cottage house on North Main street, Palmer. Inquire of 45-tf MRS. WALTER WINTER.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT, after December 1, my house and stable on Knox St., Palmer. 31-tf THOMAS BLANCHARD.

WANTED—Lady canvassers to advertise and solicit orders for Sleepy Eye Cream flour in Palmer and nearby towns, $1 50 per day. 46-1 Address F. S D., care Palmer Journal.

FOR SALE—Cushion-tired top buggy; open buggy, hard rubber tires; piano-box carriage; Concord buggy; Buckboard. All new. J. F. TWISS, Three Rivers, Mass.

FOR SALE—Choice "Bradley" Strain Barred Plymouth Rock and "Ellery Bright" Strain, Brown Leghorn Cockerels. Large, vigorous and well bred. $1.50, $1.25. E. A. BUCK, Palmer.

TOWN OF PALMER.
SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S NOTICE.

The last meeting of the School Committee for the payment of bills for the current municipal year will be held in the high school building Tuesday evening, February 14, at 7 o'clock. All bills must be presented on or before that time.
46-1 R. J. FULLER, Clerk.

TOWN OF PALMER.
OVERSEERS OF POOR NOTICE.

The Overseers of Poor will hold their last meeting for the current year in their room in the Memorial building Wednesday evening, February 15, at 7 o'clock. No orders for payment of bills of the current municipal year will be drawn after that date.
46-1 A. A. WARRINER, Chairman.

TOWN OF PALMER
SELECTMEN'S NOTICE.

The Selectmen will hold their last meeting for the payment of bills of the current municipal year in their room in the Memorial building on Wednesday, February 15, at 2 o'clock p. m. Bills not presented at that time will remain unpaid until the first meeting in April.
46-1 JOHN F. TWISS, Chairman.

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MISS ANNIE FISH, Palmer

A Cheerful Barber.

A bald-headed gentleman, with a very perceptible stubble on his face, entered a barber's shop and looked around suspiciously.

"Antiseptic shaving here?" he inquired, sniffing the air, as if in doubt.

"O, yes, sir," replied the very youthful assistant, beckoning him to a chair.

"All brushes kept in boiling water, eh?"

"O, yes, sir!"

"Disinfectant soap?"

"Yes, sir, disinfectant soap."

"And what about your razors—are they all sterilized?"

"All sterilized, sir,"

"And the towels?"

"A fresh one every time, sir."

Satisfied at last, the old gentleman reclined his head on the headrest, after taking the precaution to see that a spotless sheet of paper had been laid there, and waited for operations to commence. But the minutes flew by without signs of a start being made.

"I say, do you think I've come here to spend the day? Where's the barber?" cried the impatient customer.

"He's just coming, sir," replied the obsequious assistant; "he's been getting fumigated, sir!"—Family Herald.

WANTED!

Spoolers, Barlers, Weavers and Spinners on Davis & Furber Mules. Must be expert. Also an Engineer. Apply to the

Glen Mills Co., Monson, Mass.

AUCTION!

Will be sold at public auction six pieces of monumental granite at

Flynt's Quarry in Monson, Mass.,

Feb. 15th, 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m.

The same is sold for C. V. R. R. for freight charges. W. A. BARNES, Auctioneer.

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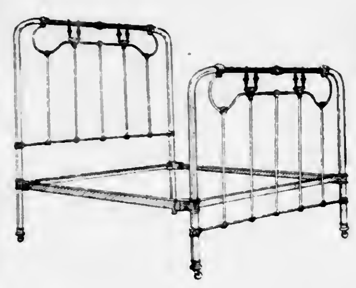

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Monson News.

Academy Notes.

Homer, '06, was kept from school the first of the week by an attack of the grip.

Page, '08, is confined to his room with the measles.

The annual prize speaking contest will be held March 17.

The Athletic association, after paying all bills, announces that $25 was obtained from the entertainment given last Friday evening.

Nearly all the students at Cushman Hall attended the fire Tuesday night.

Francis McQuaid has been chosen to lecture on "The Athletic Girl of the Present Time" before the "Girls' Social Club" next Friday evening.

President Page of the Athletic Association announces that the following students may wear "M's:" Track Team, McQuaid, Faulkner, Page, Hynes, Briggs, Chapin, Graves, Hale; basketball, Briggs, English, Faulkner, Graves, Norcross, Hynes, Rourke, Cahill; baseball, Graves, Hynes, Briggs, Cahill, Norcross, English.

Pease, '07, has been unable to attend school for the past two weeks, because of an attack of measles.

John D. Smith, a member of the class of 1903, and now at Wesleyan, has been chosen for a place on the relay team, which has entered the B. A. A. games at Boston for to-morrow night.

The basketball team goes to Chicopee to-morrow for a match with Chicopee high The line-up is as follows:

Monson.		Chicopee.
Briggs	r f	l g, Hale
Faulkner	l f	r g, Fay
Hynes	c	c, Nesbit
English	l g	r f, Fitzpatrick
Rourke	r g	l f, White

Fire Department Criticised.

Since the fire which totally destroyed the residence of A. D. Ellis Tuesday night the fire department has come in for a goodly portion of severe criticism for its slowness in getting to the fire, it being more than 30 minutes after the alarm was rung before the water was turned on the blaze. This, to the onlookers, seemed an unnecessarily long time. Even after the firemen and apparatus were on the ground everything seemed to be done the wrong way around There is a strong public sentiment that if the companies had been as prompt in responding as the public has a right to expect, and had they known what to do when they got there, a part of the building at least might have been saved. When the alarm was first sounded the fire was all in one corner of the house nearest the barn, but at the end of half an hour little or nothing had been done toward fighting it. It is a noticeable fact that since the installation of the town water system, with its tremendous pressure, practically every building which has caught fire has been entirely or nearly wholly destroyed. The question naturally arises, should such conditions exist with the facilities at hand for fighting fire.

To Have Baseball Team.

The annual meeting of the Monson Baseball Association was held in engine house No. 1 Tuesday evening and was well attended. The meeting was called to order by the vice president, John P. Herlihy. The treasurer's report showed a balance in the treasury of about $50 and all bills paid. The general impression of those present indicated that a baseball team was wanted for another season, and a team strong enough to play teams like Rockville, South Manchester, Stafford, Greenfield and Northampton. It was decided to issue stock this year the same as last year at $3 per share, and a committee consisting of J. P. Herlihy, N. P. Dempsey, E. J. Hughes and E. F. Cushman were appointed to sell shares in accordance with the plan of last year. The committee will report at an adjourned meeting the 28th, when the officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Foresters to Have Branch Here.

A meeting in the interests of forming a court of the Foresters of America was held in Workman Hall Monday night and so much interest was manifested that it was decided to organize. A meeting for the purpose of organizing and electing officers will be held in Workman Hall Monday night, Feb. 20th.

Newton Goodell of Stafford, Ct., visited friends here Tuesday.

Miss Lena Hobbs is ill at her home at South Monson with diphtheria.

Charles Benson has moved his family from South Monson to Baltic, Ct.

Henry O'Brien has taken a position in the Glen Mills on South Main street.

George C. Flynt has been confined to the house this week on account of illness.

The Green street whist club met Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Squier.

Mrs. George H. Norcross has been spending the week with relatives in Warren.

A. H. Bennett is quite ill at his home on North Main street with an attack of the grip.

Day Spring lodge of Masons will hold a regular meeting in Masonic hall Tuesday evening.

Miss Etta Plummer of Union, Ct., is the guest of Mrs. Ralph Clifford on North Main street.

Rev. C. C. Conner will preach in the Gage district schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Marcus Keep, Woman's Relief Corps held a regular meeting in Grand Army hall Wednesday night.

Everett Thompson has traded his house at South Monson for the Monroe Carew farm near State Line

Robert Flynt of Amherst College is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Flynt.

The members of the Quaboag Country Club will hold a whist party at the club house next Tuesday evening.

The subject of the sermon at the Universalist church Sunday morning will be "Loving our neighbor as ourselves."

Oscar Monahan of Boston has been spending the week with his sister, Mrs. George Warner on North Main street.

Misses Florence and Mary Sylvester of Northampton spent Sunday as guests of Miss Florence Moore on Flynt avenue.

The King's Daughters will serve a chicken-pie dinner in the Methodist church next Tuesday noon from 12 to 2 o'clock.

"Congregationalism and its message" will be the subject of the sermon at the Congregational church Sunday morning.

Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Rand left town Monday for their new home in Worcester, where the doctor is to engage in practice.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McIntosh of Springfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson at South Monson the first of the week.

Miss Louise Shaw of Mt. Holyoke College has been spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. W. E. Shaw on Reynolds avenue.

District Deputy C. M. Gage, F. L. Bliss, W. L. Ricketts and George H. Seymour attended the meeting of Quaboag lodge of Masons at Warren Monday night.

Rev. Frederick Foote Johnson of Springfield will hold an Episcopal service in Workman Hall Sunday morning at 10.30. All who are interested are invited.

Prof. P. H. Kelley of Holyoke has been engaged to drill and manage the young women's minstrel show which is to be given at an early date in Memorial Hall.

A. D. Foskit has traded his Main street residence to J. J. Smith of Boston for a large farm in Dudley. Mr. and Mrs. Foskit will not leave here at present however, as Mr. Foskit owns other property on the Palmer road.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church are to give a supper and entertainment in the church Wednesday evening, Feb. 22d. The entertainment will consist of a concert by the Springfield High School Mandolin Club.

A Valentine Party will be held in the Sunday school building of St. Patrick's church on Green street this evening. The committee who have charge are Misses Lizzie and Jennie Hanson, Mamie Sullivan and Margaret Birmingham.

The Century Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. A. O. Shaw at South Monson. The meeting next Tuesday will be with Mrs. William Ricketts and the program will be in charge of Mrs. R. H. Cushman, Mrs. M. C Howe, Mrs. W. N. Flynt.

William C. Moulton was out Wednesday for the first time with his new Holsman automobile, and pronounces it beyond anything he expected. Snow or mud do not hinder traveling with this make of machine, and he has already several prospective purchasers.

Attention is called to the fact that the children of a family in which there is a case of measles are required by law to remain out of school, and cannot be received again in school until they secure from the health officer or their attending physician a certificate stating that the danger of their conveying the disease has passed.

Principal Fred Wilder Cross of Palmer will lecture before the Men's Club of the Congregational church at their regular meeting Monday evening at 8 o'clock. His subject will be "The Field of Gettysburg" and it will be illustrated by charts and maps which the speaker has made after close personal study of the field of battle. A social hour and refreshments will follow the lecture.

The adjourned meeting of the Congregational parish was held at the church Tuesday night at 7.45. The pledge card committee reported that about the usual amount had been pledged, and the appropriations made were the same as in years previous. W. M. Tucker and C. C. Keep were elected members of the music committee in place of G. C. Flynt and T. L. Cushman, resigned.

BELCHERTOWN.

H. H. Ward and Michael F. Bowler have been drawn as jurors.

Edward L. Dyer has passed the preliminary examinations for Amherst college, and will probably enter this fall.

The Democratic town committee organized on January 31 with Dr. A. F. Warren, chairman, S. W. Perry, secretary, and William E. Bridgman, treasurer. The Republican committee organized last Saturday with M. S. Barton, chairman, F. D. Walker, secretary, and M. W. Jackson, treasurer.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, FEB. 8, 1905.

Anxiety has clearly overtaken the high protective wing of the Republicans at the front presented at the state house by the tariff reform men, and this anxiety is seen in the remonstrances which have just begun to be presented. They have a common form and come from different parts of the state. That is a sure sign, as every state house newspaper man and clerk knows, that there is somewhere a central body which is conducting a campaign and canvassing the state for signatures. These signatures are those of the protected interests. Following the remonstrance last week of J. A. Faulkner of Lowell, comes this week that of large manufacturing and other protected concerns. There are the large Atlantic Works in Boston and others in this part of the state. Berkshire county is represented by the Smith Paper Company of Lee and others of that town, by the Glendale Elastic Fabric Company, William Plunkett and Sons and other concerns in the western part of the state. These indications point to further remonstrances. The remonstrants say that they are engaged in important industries in the state and they respectfully remonstrate against action upon the tariff or reciprocity, but want the matter left to Congress, "where it was placed by the constitution of the United States." Thus the cleavage is beginning to show itself between the two forces which are trying to control the Republican party in the state. It is evident to the observer, or some observers think it is evident, that the committee will be divided report, some being strong standpatters and others, including representatives of both parties, favoring tariff revision and reciprocity. The hearings have been protracted and animated in the extreme.

Foremost in support of the reform of the tariff, for reciprocity with Canada and for the industrial commission recommended by the governor to see what the tariff is doing for Massachusetts was the Boston Chamber of Commerce. This is largely Republican, though it is a non-partisan organization, and was represented by M. F. Dickinson, lawyer, and Henry M. Whitney, business man, the former being a Republican and the latter a Democrat. On the other side the most prominent figure has been Col. Albert Clarke, secretary of the Home Market Club, but he has had the backing of William Whitman, the Draper interest, and the highly protected industries. The situation, for the average legislator, has been greatly complicated by the surrender of the entire delegation in Congress to the tariff reform element, so that Senator Lodge has taken his stand on that side, as a matter of general policy, as truly as Representative Lovering, who has for years been in favor of revising the duties and taking down some of the highest bars. The situation in the Legislature is wholly nebulous at present. Many of the members are not special students of the tariff They want to keep on the right side of the powers that be, but when the great *factors in state politics at home*, the business interests which have secured the high duties, are opposed to changing them, and the politicians, who influence votes also, are on the other side, the situation becomes decidedly mazy for the average number. Consequently the indications are regarded as pointing to something of a straddle, such as was so neatly made in the Republican state convention last spring, when each wing had influence enough to get in something which it could stand on, but could not keep out something else, which the other side could stand on also.

To-day the gypsy moth fight has been on, and the committee room has been crowded with men and women both. The matter has now got where the friends of action believe that something will be done because the politicians have taken hold of it, that is, men who are interested in public affairs, and have standing before the people generally, such as ex-President Jones of the Senate, who was one of the men at the hearing. The friends of legislation have agreed upon a bill which asks for the appointment of a commission of three, to be appointed by the governor, the cities and towns to pay a tax of 1 25 of 1 per cent of their taxable property in helping to stand the expense. There is no longer any doubt of the serious nature of the evil, of the impossibility of meeting it by private opposition, and of the need of action by the state. It is also pretty clear that if the places not now infested do not turn in and help pay for the suppression of the pest, their own share of destruction will be much larger than their share of the taxes. The committee has given attention to-day to the question of parasites, as well as to other means of destroying the insect, and the prospect of a satisfactory outcome is brighter than at any stage since the unfortunate stoppage of the work of extermination.

The agricultural college has come before the Legislature this session with the strongest case for a state appropriation that it has ever presented. It charges practically no tuition; its number of students is materially larger than ever; it is bound by the terms of the grant by the United States government to continue to give instruction; it advertises certain courses, but it is unable to keep its promises because it is so badly cramped for recitation rooms and other equipment. When it has men recite in corners of cellars partitioned off, in students' living rooms, and so on, it is evident that better accommodations are needed. The trustees and professors made out a strong case.

At the hands of the people of Massachusetts George F. Hoar is likely to fare a great deal better than Benjamin F. Butler. The friends of the latter have put forth their extreme strength, year after year, to secure an appropriation for a statue for the general on the state house grounds, and they have been beaten every time on the argument that the man was unworthy of such honor by Massachusetts. Direct and damaging testimony has been enforced by the intense feelings which Butler inspired so that they live long after his death, and he cannot outlive his bad reputation. On the other hand, Hoar stands so high that Gov. Douglas's suggestion that the state erect some memorial to him is promptly accorded favorable consideration, and there has been reported in the Senate a resolve for the appointment of a commission to investigate and to report to the next Legislature concerning the character and cost, as well as the desirability, of such a memorial. This is as much as could be expected the first year, when it is remembered that neither of the Adamses, presidents of the United States from Massachusetts, has any memorial erected by the state. Neither has John Hancock, our first constitutional governor, and president of the national constitutional convention.

Great interest attaches to the proposal to let hotels sell liquor to their guests till midnight, instead of 11 o'clock. The opposite side was represented by a petition to shut off the sales at 10 o'clock, and so the prospect is that the law will remain as it is. But this would be so, if there were no 10 o'clock bill pending, for the disposition of the Legislature, for the last dozen years and more, has been to tighten the screws on the liquor business and never to relax a particle. The liquor men have never won an inch in the Legislature for many years.

It looks as if an end had been reached, for a few years, at least, to the agitation for raising the age of compulsory education. The matter has been before the Legislature repeatedly and thrashed out, always ending in defeat for the friends of an advanced age, but only to see them come again. Last year the Legislature had the happy thought to have the question thoroughly investigated by the state board of education. The report of the board shows that a large number of the children between 14 and 15 years, who would be affected by putting on another year to the age requirements, are in the schools already, that most of the others have secured a fair education already; that a material proportion are of the class who do not take kindly to schooling; that in many cases the labor of the child is needed for the family and could not be taken away without hardship, and that it would make the enforcement of the school law much more difficult to put on another year. The board is unanimous, and so the matter is likely to stay fixed for a while.

Messrs. Skerrett of Worcester and Sheehan of Holyoke and some others are interested to secure a change in the Foxboro inebriate asylum. The charge, which seems to be based upon the statements of men who have been there, is that the place has come to be a retreat for loafers and that it would be much better for this class of men if they were put at work somewhere. It is urged that the probation system, as it is now enforced in the different courts, has marked advantages over this institution in the way of promoting reform and that the state would gain if the institution were abolished. The other side of the story has not been told yet.

LANDON.

HOLLAND.

Death of an Old Resident.

Laura Damon, one of the town's oldest residents, died of old age on Thursday of last week. She was born in Granby 85 years ago and had lived in town most of her life. She was a member of the Methodist church and was much interested in religious work. She was the daughter of Eli and Bathsheba Damon and was never married. She is survived by one brother, Edwin Damon, with whom she had always lived. Funeral services were held in the home Sunday afternoon.

Sarah Bagley of Southbridge is ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bagley.

Mrs H. J. Switzer is suffering from a badly sprained shoulder, the result of a fall on the ice.

Mrs. Abbie Williams of Warren has moved her household goods to the home of her son, O. W. Williams, where she will live.

Mrs. H. G. Church of South Windsor, Ct., and Mrs. E M. Webber of Brimfield have been visiting their brother, W. L. Webber.

Henry Brown has been ill with heart trouble for two weeks. His son and daughter from Connecticut arrived the first of the week, to help care for him.

BRIMFIELD.

Miss Cox of Mattapan is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lincoln.

Public rhetoricals were held in the Acad*emy hall this afternoon.*

Oscar F. Brown went to Boston last week for an indefinite stay.

Clarence Fairfield of Adams has taken a position with Arthur B. Brown.

Rev. George Curtiss of Kent, Ct., has been the guest of Miner H. Corbin.

Mrs. Pierson has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Waldo Prickett, in Springfield.

The Woman's Missionary Society met this afternoon with Mrs. Bert E. Campbell.

Julius Cowan of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, spent Sunday with Mrs. Streeter.

An informal musical was held last week Thursday evening at the home of Charles S. Tarbell on account of a short visit there of Charles E Hitchcock, the well-known bass singer of Worcester. Besides a number of songs by Mr. Hitchcock, there were vocal solos by Miss Snow, George A. Webster and George M. Hitchcock. Miss Tarbell and Miss Lydia Hitchcock played a piano duet and Miss Crumb, teacher of the Center primary school, recited.

The regular meeting of the Grange was held Tuesday evening. The program consisted of a discussion by C. S. Tarbell, Dr. Sawin, Cheney Newton and Mrs. Clarence Brown on the question, "What Do Our Schools Need?" and a piano solo by Miss Lydia Converse. The Grange now uses the room which was formerly that of the public library in the town house. The room has been newly painted and fitted up and makes a desirable place for the Grange meetings. The organization has purchased a Gorham piano.

WEST WARREN.

Miss Rosamond S. Bartlett spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Robert Tait on Main street.

Miss Olivine Trottier of Providence, R. I, is the guest of her uncle, Rev. Philias Trottier on Pleasant street.

About 20 pupils in grades 7 and 8 enjoyed a sleighride to Palmer Wednesday. On the same evening six couples went from here to Ware and had a turkey supper.

A regular meeting of the Epworth league was held in the M. E. church Monday evening. A committee, consisting of Charles M. Heidel, Elizabeth E. Chapman and Mabel E. Crouch, was appointed to arrange for a valentine party which will be given next Monday night.

A meeting of the French Canadian Artisans' Society was held Monday, and it was voted to admit about 12 new members at a public initiation Sunday, March 25, at which some members of the executive council of Montreal, who are visiting the different societies in Massachusetts, are expected to be present. Delegates are also expected to be present from the societies at Spencer, Ware and Three Rivers, and O. A. Burke, organizer, of Worcester, will probably be present. A banquet will be served to the guests in Faneuf's hall following the initiation.

About 25 men interested in the formation of a new French Social Club met in the rooms over Brousseau's store Sunday afternoon and organized the club to be called Cercle Laurier. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. J. E N. Bohemier; secretary, Joseph H. Hebert; treasurer, Joseph O. Faneuf; committee on by-laws, Alphonse Guyon, Joseph H. Hebert, Dr. J. E. N. Bohemier and Joseph O Faneuf; furnishing committee, Joseph O. Faneuf, Adolphus Bodreau and W. C. Arthur Hebert. These are only temporary officers, however, the permanent officers being elected at a meeting next Monday. It was voted to hire and furnish the rooms over Brousseau's furniture store in Sibley's block on Main street.

WARREN.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew A. Converse announce the engagement of their daughter, Florence Louise, to Louis E. Hobbs.

W. F. Mellen, engineer at the Perkins machine shop, met with a painful accident Monday noon. After shutting off the steam, he was examining the engine to see if it was hot, and his right hand was caught between the pin on the crosshead and the oil cup. He received a puncture wound in the palm of his hand and a bad bruise on the back.

The first annual concert and ball under the auspices of the Social Club will be held next Thursday evening in the town hall. Music will be furnished by Flanagan's singing orchestra of Marlboro. At 10.30 o'clock there will be a prize waltz and a $5 gold piece will be given to the best man waltzer, and to the best woman dancer a silk umbrella.

At a meeting of Quaboag lodge of Masons Tuesday night the third degree was conferred on two candidates. About 60 members of Thomas lodge of Masons of Palmer, accompanied by the newly-appointed district deputy, C. M. Gage, visited the lodge, going by special train. Refreshments were served by Caterer F A. Keith. During the evening the master of Quaboag lodge, Charles D Perkins, who will leave in a few days for Portland, Ore., where he will have charge of the erection of the Massachusetts state building, was presented with a handsome dress suit case, by S. Newell Cutler, in behalf of the members of the lodge.

John R. Root, 83, dropped dead Monday afternoon about 1 o'clock while shoveling snow in front of his home on School street. Mr. Root suffered a shock last April, which confined him to the house for some time, but recently had been much better. Death was due to heart disease. He had been a resident of Warren for three years, previous to which he resided for 25 years in Enfield. He leaves, besides his widow, one son, Eugene W. Root, who lived in the same house with him, and a daughter, Mrs. Minnie Knight of Amherst. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at his late home, and the body was taken to Enfield for burial yesterday morning.

WARE.

Meeting of Business Men's Association.

The annual meeting of the Ware Business Men's Association was held in the district court room Monday afternoon, with an attendance of about 20 members. The following officers were elected: President, F. M. Sibley; vice president, P. R. Bridgman; secretary, David Woolley; treasurer, P. O L'Heureux; directors, H. O Robinson, E. D. Howard, Andrew Bryson, L. N. Dupont, D. E. Clifford, W. M. Kennedy, R. E. Caprou, F. E. Cram, F. J Browning, P. J. Mulvaney and Dr. A. J. Blodgett. The reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and accepted, the latter showing nearly $79 on hand. It was voted to give the clerks a half holiday every Thursday afternoon during the months of July and August, and the secretary was instructed to have notices printed and circulated among the members to that effect. It was also voted that an attempt be made to secure the holding of the last train to Barre Plains at the Ware station until 8.30 on Friday and Saturday nights, unless the Worcester and Hampshire electric road be opened again soon. The train is due in Ware at 7.23, but is often late. The sentiment of the meeting favored such action, but after all help the association could offer to get the electric road opened again had been tried first. The matter of holding a banquet was left with the directors. Before the close of the meeting Mr. Sibley made a few remarks.

Will Probably Not Be Reopened.

From the present outlook it seems very probable that the Hampshire and Worcester street railway will not be reopened. District Attorney George S. Taft, receiver for the road, will take steps at the close of the present term of the superior court to close up the affairs of the road. The receiver has received several petitions from the residents along the line asking *that the line be opened, but the bond*holders feel that they do not desire to have the line in operation at the present time, even though double fares are received. They wish to keep as much of the property intact for settlement as possible, and feel that if the road is operated now it can only be done at a loss. It is learned from information given out at Mr. Taft's office that when the affairs of the road are settled there will be practically nothing for the unsecured creditors, as the payment of expenses incurred during the receivership are expected to eat up much of the cash on hand. It is stated by Mr. Taft that the road will probably be sold at auction and that some of the creditors will be the ones to buy it in.

Daniel J. Shea, who has been ill with appendicitis for the past six weeks, has resumed his duties in Mahoney's barber shop.

Miss Maud Lashua, stenographer in the office of H. P. Cummings & Co., is ill with scarlet fever at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Belle Merriam, on South street.

The Study Club met Wednesday evening with Dr. G. F. A. Spencer, and F. M. Sibley acted as chairman. Rev. John Wriston read a paper on "The Bible; how we got it."

William Bassett commenced work Monday as assistant bookkeeper in the office of the Ware Swift beef company succeeding Charles Mandell, who has been transferred to a similar position in Hartford, Ct.

William Walsh, 35, died at his home on South street Sunday night after a long illness with Bright's disease. He is survived by a widow, a step-son and step-daughter, and four brothers. The funeral was held in All Saints' church Wednesday morning.

Miss Ethel W. Smith has arranged for a party of 20 people to attend the Paderewski concert to be given in Court Square theatre in Springfield next Monday evening. The party will have a special car from Palmer to Ware on the return trip, connecting with the theatre car leaving Springfield at 11 o'clock.

The selectmen have recommended the following from the list of applicants for the positions of three enumerators to be appointed to take the census in May: James M. Maloney, Felix Bombard, Louis J. St. Onge, John Osgood, Herbert H. Turner and James E. Tiffany. These six will take the examinations to be given later.

George R. Stobbs, an attorney from the office of George S. Taft of Worcester, receiver for the Hampshire and Worcester electric road, visited Ware Wednesday and held a conference with D E. Pepin, superintendent of the road. Mr. Stobbs had occasion to visit Ware in connection with a minor matter of the care of the property of the road.

A meeting was held in the rooms of the Young Men's Union Wednesday evening, when the incorporators met the executive committee in an attempt to arrange for the continued existence of the union. The incorporators, of whom Lewis N Gilbert, H. K. Hyde, F. M. Sibley and C. C. Hitchcock were present, have in a measure supported the union financially for some time. A statement showing the financial condition of the union at the present time was given by the executive committee, and it is expected that the incorporators will take the matter under consideration and will give a decision later as to what assistance they will give in the future. The union now has a membership of 45. The receipts now amount to very nearly the expenses, but a deficit exists which it is thought should be cleared up.

A horse owned by D. F. Hitchcock of Gilbertville and driven by his son ran away on Main street Monday causing much excitement for a time. The harness became unfastened, and the horse started to run near the bank and caught one hind leg over the shaft. The boy was thrown out near the Sanford block, but escaped injury. The frightened animal attempted to leap over the iron picket fence surrounding the small grove of trees in Nenameseck square, but only partly cleared the top. Both hind legs were caught on the fence, and the shaft that had broken penetrated the horse, causing a flow of blood. The horse was finally taken off the fence with the aid of a ladder, and after some delay was taken out of the enclosure. It was taken to Dr. H. M. Davitt's barn, where its injuries were cared for and it is hoped that the animal will fully recover.

Cholly—"Yes, Lucy, I had brain fever once." Lucy—"Where were you feverish, Cholly?"—Exchange.

They Loved the Mittens.

A little incident of grandmother's intuition as to what pleases the children is told in "The Youth's Companion" This special grandmother lived in Massachusetts, and her little grandchildren were way out in Honolulu. One day she remarked to a daughter with whom she lived, "I must knit those children some mittens."

"Why, mother!" was the reply. "They can't wear mittens in that warm climate!"

"I can't help the climate," the grandmother answered placidly. "Climate has nothing to do with it. All children like mittens, and all children should have them. I shall take them up to-morrow"

The mittens were knit and sent off, and reached Honolulu on the hottest day of the year. The children's mother wrote immediately.

"I must tell you," the letter read, "though in this heat I have hardly no energy to hold my pen, that, although we grown people are torpid under the infliction of the weather, the children have demanded their mittens, and are parading up and down, wearing them and very little besides. No matter how high the mercury climbs, it is evident that those mittens are bound to be an unfailing joy."

A Southerner and Boston Beans.

Senator Hoar used to tell with great gusto of a conversation that took place between two southerners, the first of whom had but lately returned from a trip through New England. Said the first man from Dixie to his friend:—

"You know those little, white, round beans?"

"Yes," replied the friend, "the kind we feed to our horses?"

"The very same. Well, do you know, sir, that in Boston the enlightened citizens take those little, white, round beans, boil them for three or four hours, mix them with molasses and I know not what other ingredients, bake them, and then—what do you suppose they then do with the beans?"

"They—"

"They eat 'em, sir!" interrupted the first southerner, impressively. "Bless me, sir, they eat 'em!"—New York Tribune.

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$200 will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale.

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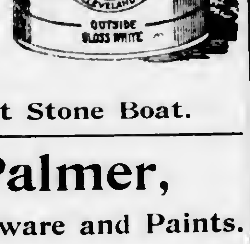

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TO Charles R. Shaw, and to any and all persons interested in the real estate hereinafter described: Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Charles R. Shaw to Charles O. Walker, said deed being dated July 25, 1903, and recorded with Hampden County Deeds, libro 673, folio 64, for breach of the condition thereof, and for the purpose of foreclosing said mortgage, the said Charles O. Walker will sell at public auction, on the premises near the dwelling now occupied by the mortgagor, on Saturday, February 18, 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, said premises being described in said mortgage deed as follows:

"Beginning and bounded northerly on land now or formerly of Christopher Boyle, George Gould and others; westerly by land formerly of John Strickland; southerly on land formerly of John Shaw; easterly by land formerly of Elbridge Blair, it being the estate of the late Samuel Shaw, decease, and is the homestead which I now occupy, containing 320 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Michael McBride to myself dated April 25, 1871, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 280, Page 395, and containing 55 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a warranty deed from Elizabeth Cox, bounded easterly by my other land and land of T. & L Brown; northerly, westerly and southerly by said Browns, containing 64 acres more or less, said deed dated March 9, 1869, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 267, Page 180. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer, fully described in a warranty deed from O. B. Owen, dated October 27, 1865 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 238, Page 26. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Mary A. Bliss and others, dated November 23, 1863, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 236, Page 276. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a Quit-claim deed from Martin Shaw to Samuel Shaw, dated January 14, 1848, and entered for record in Hampden County Deeds on June 4th, 1898. Also the estate situate in said Palmer and fully described in two deeds from Alfred K. Shaw and others, dated January 21 and 22, 1869, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, that dated January 21, in Book 267, Page 181, and that dated January 22, in Book 413, Page 169 Also another parcel of land situate in said Palmer and containing 8 acres more or less, situate north of the "Merrick Lot," meaning and intending hereby to convey my whole estate as described in aforesaid deeds wheresoever situated and howsoever bounded and described. Excepting and reserving therefrom a certain tract of land sold by me to Packard and Lawton by my warranty deed dated December 12th, 1901, and also one other tract sold by me to Arthur F Thayer by my warranty deed dated January 27th, 1903 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 654, Page 442."

The sale will be made subject to all unpaid taxes and assessments, if any. Three hundred dollars will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale.

44-3 CHARLES O. WALKER.
By J. H. Schoonmaker his Attorney.
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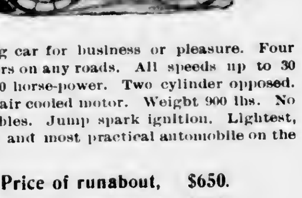

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Wife—"Oh, John, you've been playing poker again. You'll become a professional gambler if you keep on this way." John (disgustedly)—"No fear of that. I'm a rank amateur."—Philadelphia Press.

The Only Survivor

of the Hayes Arctic Expedition, Mr. S. J. McCormick, now U. S. Deputy Mineral Surveyor, Bliss Station, Idaho, says: "For years I have suffered from severe pains in the hip joint and back bone, depriving me of all power. The cause was Stone in the Bladder and Gravel in the Kidneys. After using Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Rondout, N. Y., I was completely cured.

"Here!" cried the irate passenger, "yon've took me past Tremont street!" "Pardon me," replied the Boston street car conductor, "you mean 'taken' not 'took.' Now then sir, move with more expedition, please."—Philadelphia Press.

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"Father," said the little boy, "what is reciprocity?" "Reciprocity, my son, is an arrangement by which yon undertake to give up something that you don't value very highly in exchange for something that you do."—Washington Star.

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Little Willie—"Say, pa, what is a luxury?" Pa—"A luxury, my son, is anything you happen to want when you haven't got the price."—Chicago News.

A little three-years-old miss, while her mother was trying to get her to sleep, became interested in a peculiar noise and asked what it was. "A cricket, dear," replied the mother. "Well," remarked the little lady, "he ought to get himself oiled."—Exchange.

City Editor—"Why do yon say he ran into the police station 'puffing and blowing?' 'Puffing' and 'blowing' are synonymous." Reporter—"Not at all. There's a vast difference—for instance, between puffing a man up and blowing him up."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Bridget—"O'll hov to lave, mum. Oi don't tolke that snip of a dude that does be callin' on Miss Elizabeth." Mistress—"The idea! He doesn't call to see yon." Bridget—"Oi know he don't mum, but O'im afraid some ave the neighbors moight thinks he does."—Philadelphia Ledger.

A man in Hiawatha, Kan., recently received a letter addressed to him, but instead of the name of the town was a bar or so of music. The post office officials had passed the letter along until one was found who could sing, and he sang the music and found it to be a part of the song which has driven so many to the brink of an early grave. The letter was then sent at once to the man in the Kansas town.

Sir Nicholas Bacon was about to pass judgment upon a man found guilty of murder in the first degree, at that time punishable by death. But the culprit pleaded for mercy on the ground that he was related to the judge. "How is that?" asked Sir Nicholas. "Why," said the culprit, "your name is Bacon and mine is Hogg, and hog and bacon have always been considered akin." "That is true," answered Sir Nicholas. "But as hog is not bacon until it has hung, until you are hanged you are no relation of mine."

Long Distance Nursing

By Maria Howells

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Miss Kent stood in the hospital doorway and repented of her folly.

Six months before she had resigned a position as under nurse in a New York hospital for that of superintendent or head nurse in a hospital in the heart of West Virginia's mining district. Her predecessor had left the staff well organized, and there was no special work to counteract the homesickness which naturally followed her arrival. The biggest ward in the hospital was given over to typhoid patients, and, in truth, they overflowed this ward and took possession of three others. Nearly every new man at the mines yielded to typhoid sooner or later. It was part of the process of acclimation. The cases were rarely serious, the patients uniformly stolid. The fever ran its course, the Grimm Coal and Coke company paid the hospital charges, and the patients as stolidly returned to the mines to have part of their wages deducted each month and applied on this hospital account.

The deadly monotony was getting on Marion Kent's nerves. At St. Paul's there had been no monotony. The operating room had been the workshop of some of the most marvelous surgeons in America. There had been fights for lives in which house doctors and nurses had joined hands and faltered not day or night.

The surest cure for Miss Kent's present mental condition was work, activity and a patient who was at least interesting. She felt a wild inclination to go into the convalescent ward and stir up the men, stolidly sleeping even before the night.

At this same moment she glanced down the road which led from the railway station and saw that the superintendent's special car, attached to the construction train engine, was slowing up by the water tank. A cot was carried out of the car, and four bearers brought out a limp figure swathed in a blanket. Another typhoid patient no doubt, probably a little worse than ordinary or the special would not have been called into service.

She was further surprised a few moments later to find herself greeting the superintendent of the mining company.

"I want you to give this case particular care. He is young Jack Stanton, nephew of Mr. Grimm, president of our company. It is the same old story of typhoid, and, though I warned Mr. Grimm that it would come, I feel responsible for the boy. Give him the best nurse you have and as much of your own time as you can spare."

"You call him a boy?" said Miss Kent.

"Yes; he is only eighteen. Between ourselves, Grimm claims the youngster has made him a lot of trouble. He didn't like school, and so Grimm sent him down here to learn the coal and coke business from the beginning. You'll find him rather a decent sort of patient, and for heaven's sake don't let anything happen to him. Grimm seemed glad enough to ship the boy on to me; but, just the same, I don't imagine he will be any too gentle with me if anything goes wrong."

Ten minutes later Marion Kent was in the private ward in which young Stanton had been placed. He had just received a cooling sponge bath, and he looked at her with eyes that shone with something beside fever. "My, but that felt good, and it is awfully jolly, don't you know, to see a woman's face again!"

Miss Kent turned up the lamp a trifle and bent over her new patient. It seemed to her that she had never looked into such marvelous brown eyes—eyes that could twinkle and dance and hide the deepest and tenderest of feeling. She glanced from them to the boyish features. Stanton lifted his hand weakly and felt of his chin.

"I wanted 'em to give me a shave before they brought me down. I knew I would give you women an awful start. I look so like a tramp."

Here was novelty with a vengeance, a patient who cared how he looked in the presence of the nurses.

Miss Kent sat down beside him. She felt somehow as if she ought to address him as a willful boy.

"You know this is sort of a low fever you have, and you'll get very tired of it and of us"—

"Not of you, you bet! Say, did you ever sleep on the hard side of a straw tick?"

Miss Kent shook her head and continued her little moral lecture. "I just want you to realize that while you don't feel very sick you're liable to be a good deal worse if you are not a good patient."

"Oh, I'll be good, all right. You just watch me."

And Miss Kent did watch him closely more as a psychological study than as a patient. Without asking questions, bit by bit she pieced together the history of his boyhood. She saw the businesslike, uncompromising attitude of the uncle to whom the boy had been left as a legacy by his dying mother. The wealthy bachelor had given freely of his money, but not of his sympathy. He had made no effort to understand the boy—to establish intimate relations with him. If teachers and tutors had said that the boy was lazy or indifferent he had accepted the criticism without question. She was morally certain he had never looked into those luminous brown eyes and read the truth.

On the fifth day after he arrived at the hospital she received a letter:

"Dear Madam—Mr. Grimm has received word that his nephew, John Stanton, is confined to your hospital with typhoid fever. He requests that you spare no expense to make him comfortable and to bring about his ultimate recovery. Kindly render a weekly statement to Mr. Grimm and notify him if we can ship anything that will make John more comfortable or that will expedite his recovery."

The signature was the name of Mr. Grimm's secretary.

Miss Kent laid down the letter and frowned at an engraving of Esculaphus which hung over her desk. She could see the man of business in his richly appointed office turning from his telephone long enough to give the secretary some curt directions. She could also see—and the memory of that sight brought a queer choking sensation in her throat—Jack Stanton's eager face each day when the mail was being distributed.

"Any line from the governor?"

Marion Kent gave the mail to another nurse to distribute, and then she sat down to her desk. It took her a long time to frame the letter she had decided to write. She wrote it in lead pencil, erasing and interlining, and then copied it. She set the stamp upon the envelope with a triumphant uplifting of her head. Something told her that this letter would make Henry Grimm, bachelor, think.

It did. When he had read it the first time he shoved back his chair from his rich mahogany desk and stared through the window where the joyous spring sunlight was dancing on the roofs of skyscrapers. It seemed as if a sudden new light had flooded the eyrie in which Henry Grimm had been content at the game of making money and more money. He read the letter again. Then he laid it down and leaned back in his chair. It was a womanly letter, but it carried a certain force of character in every gentle phrase. And after reading it the third time Henry Grimm wrote to his nephew. He did not even dictate the letter to his secretary, but wrote it long hand. Oddly enough, at the same hour the very next morning he found himself at the same desk. The answers to these letters came in her handwriting, but they bubbled over with boyish expressions of the patient to whom the mail hour was now the happiest of the day.

Then the tenor of the letters changed. There were only daily reports from Miss Kent setting forth the trifling variations of temperature and respirations. Young Stanton was wandering in the land of delirium.

It was only natural that Miss Kent should write a few words of comfort to the now anxious man and equally natural that he should watch for those daily crumbs of comfort, but his secretary was amazed when the man of affairs suddenly announced that he was going south. Miss Kent had written that they expected the crisis in forty-eight hours.

Mr. Grimm leaned back in the chair of the parlor car and closed his eyes. "Of course he will get well. He's been keeping up this gait ever since his first degree of measles. It is foolish of me to chase down there." Then he added quite inconsequently, "I'll wager she's forty-five and wears corkscrew curls."

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Young Stanton had been carried out on the convalescents' porch. He was waiting for his uncle, who had gone down to White Sulphur Springs for a week's stay. "I say, governor," he said when Mr. Grimm had finished his account of his trip, "don't you think we could fix it so that Miss Kent could have a little vacation? She looks awfully tired. I think we could fix it on the score that I need her to take care of me on the trip."

Henry Grimm looked up at the mountains. They were calm and steadfast, like Marion Kent. He rose suddenly.

"Yes, I will ask her now. I think I need her myself."

Quite Understood Him.

He had had his little speech all written out for several days beforehand, and it ran like this:

"I have called, Mr. Wealthyman, to tell you frankly that I love your daughter, and I have her assurance that my affection is returned, and I hope you will give your consent for her to become my wife. I am not a rich man, but we are young and strong and are willing to fight the battle of life together, and"— There was a good deal more of it, and he could say it all glibly before he left home, but when he stood in the presence of Papa Wealthyman he said:

"I—I—that is—I—Mr. Wealthyman—I tell you frankly that—that—I—your daughter loves me and—and—I have called to—to—frankly ask you to—to—to—be my wife—er—er—that is—I—we—she—er—no—we are willing to fight—that is—we—we—are young and can fight—er—no—I hope you understand me."

Literature In Alaska.

A member of one of the government parties which journeyed through Alaska during the Klondike rush, says the author of "Through the Yukon Gold Diggings," was horrified at the lack of entertainment and good literature available for the miners.

"Doesn't it get very dull here?" he asked of an old miner at Forty Mile. "What do you do for amusement?"

"Do?" echoed the miner gravely. "Do? Why, bless you, we 'ave very genteel amusements! As for readin' an' litrature an' all that, w'y, w'en the fust grub comes in the spring we 'ave a meetin' an' call all the boys together an app'int a chairman, an' then some one reads the directions on the labels of the bakin' powder boxes."

When They Registered "And Lady."

"Some weeks ago I had an opportunity of inspecting the hotel register of a Niagara Falls hotel of the years 1830-32," said a Milwaukee man. "Even at that time the falls seem to have been a favorite resort, but what impressed me most was the style in vogue at that time.

"The chirography was by far better than one sees nowadays on hotel registers, some writing almost resembling steel engraving. I looked all through the register, but found but one instance of a man registering himself 'and wife.' In every other instance it was 'and lady.' Another feature of the register was a column headed 'Remarks,' which was used by guests in making personal notices, some of which were highly interesting. Today we tell our confidences to the clerk."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Ducks and Decoys.

The duck is much more cunning than a great many of its brothers of the bird tribe, and this is the reason that it was found necessary to devise the decoy as a means of luring him within the reach of the gunner. After a few experiences with these dummies the wise bird begins *to cultivate a suspicion and makes a critical investigation* before he alights in the middle of what appears to be a bunch of birds on a feeding ground. It is no uncommon thing for a flock of ducks sighting a lot of decoys to circle around out of reach of the fowling piece, and, discovering the deception, start off on their journey, to the chagrin of the watching sportsman.

A Garbled Message.

At the last moment Mr. Gayley found he could not attend the garden party at Miss Fenton's house, and it was, of course, imperative that he should send his regrets, so he summoned Michael, the family gardener.

"Tell Miss Bessie that I am very sorry, but business will prevent me coming," he said.

"Yes, sir," said Michael.

"And—stay a moment," said Gayley. "Could you remember a line of poetry?"

"Certainly, sorr."

"Well, tell her, 'Though lost to sight, to memory dear.'"

Half an hour later Michael was delivering his message to Miss Fenton.

"The master said it's sorry he is he can't be wid ye," said Michael, "and—and, though he's lost his sight, his memory's clear. And may I be forgiven for the untruth I'm tellin' ye!"—London Globe.

An Episode of the Cuban Revolution

[Original.]

Previous to the last Cuban revolution, during which the Cubans, with the help of the United States, flung off the Spanish yoke, Colonel Manuel Ordaz of the Spanish army married Donna Ysabel Clevigero, who inherited one of the finest sugar plantations on the island. They were both young and desperately in love with each other. When the revolution came Senora Ordaz espoused the cause of the Cubans, while her husband, commanding a regiment of Spanish troops, was bound to fight on the side of Spain.

"Go, Manuel," said the young wife, "and do your duty. That you must endeavor to strengthen the yoke we bear will not turn my love from you a whit."

"I know," replied the husband, "that you will aid the insurrection with your means and your personal effort, yet I shall love you the same."

Colonel Ordaz left her to join his regiment, and Senora Ordaz organized a battalion of Cubans, arming and equipping them at her own expense. When they were ready to take the field they demanded that she should command them. This she consented to do nominally, with rank of major.

The Spaniards at the outset of the revolution treated their captives as rebels and traitors. An officer and ten men of Senora Ordaz's battalion, having been captured, were shot. The senora in response to the clamors of her soldiers declared that she would shoot the first Spanish officer and ten privates that should fall into her hands.

One day soon after this, while Senora Ordaz was sitting in her tent, she heard the tread of men marching, and in a few moments a squad halted without and a sergeant rapped on the tent pole. The major threw aside the flaps, and before her stood ten Spanish prisoners and a man in citizen's dress under guard.

Why did the senora turn white and gasp for breath? She knew that these men were marched before her that she might give an order for their execution, but the ten lives were as nothing compared with that of the citizen, for under his disguise she recognized her husband. Colonel Ordaz had been arrested trying to pass as a civilian from one province to another bearing important dispatches, which were found on his person. This in all armies is considered to constitute a spy and is punishable with death.

The senora listened to the report of the sergeant with a heaving bosom, hearing not a word. Colonel Ordaz stood erect, while a glance of recognition passed between husband and wife. When the sergeant had finished, the major, with difficulty commanding her voice, called him to her and said:

"These men, as I have promised, must die. Take them to the guard tent, and I will issue an order during the day for their execution. The spy I desire to examine myself. I will keep the papers for transmission to our general. Leave the man here with me till I call for you."

"Alone?"

"Yes, alone."

"He is desperate, senora. When arrested he tried to shoot himself. He may kill you and escape."

"Leave that to me. Station a guard before the tent down there beyond the fence."

The guard was posted, and the senora called the spy into her tent, leaving the tent flaps thrown back. The man stood with bowed head. The pair could converse without being heard, but were in full view of the guard.

"Manuel," said the wife, "I cannot prevent your execution, though I can delay it. I shall send for you tonight when it is dark and in the meantime devise a pretext for seeing you without observance for a last farewell."

"Do not stir a finger to save me. By doing so you might endanger your own life."

The guard was called and the prisoner led away. That night he was taken again under guard commanded by an officer to the major's tent. The major ordered the officer to surround the tent with his men, but to leave her to a private interview with the prisoner, from whom she expected important information. Then the spy was left in the tent, unlighted except by the rays of a full moon. For a time the tent flaps were thrown back, but presently they were lowered.

The officer in command of the guard was puzzled. He did not know what to do, so he did nothing.

Presently the officer of the guard saw a figure wrapped in the senora's military cloak emerge hastily from the tent and run toward him. Passing, she cried in a voice that he considered changed by excitement: "I fear the spy has cheated the gallows. I am going for a surgeon."

The officer ran to the tent to see—as he supposed—the body of the spy lying on the ground, while a strong smell of chloroform pervaded the tent. He waited for the senora to bring a surgeon, but she did not return. At last, when he was about to send a messenger to report the matter, the spy opened his eyes.

"Where is he?" asked the voice of the senora.

"Who? What? Are you"—

"What odor is this?"

"Senora, I see it all. We feared the man would trick you. He has chloroformed you and escaped."

At least he had escaped. The senora had placed her horse—the fleetest in the command—where her husband could mount him. The colonel did so and rode safely into his own lines.

After this episode the senora gave up her command and retired to her *plantation.*

MARY BROWN COLCLAZER.

Poor Algy!

Algy—I believe you are making a fool of me.

Hazel—Impossible.

Exhausting.

Mrs. Gramercy—Which of your social duties do you find most exacting? Mrs. Park—To appear interested in the things that don't interest me.

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Horse Versus Donkey.

"I say," remarked young Sapleigh, "I've—aw—got a conundrum for you. What is the—aw—difference between me and a horse?"

"The difference," replied Miss Caustique, "is probably in the length of your ears."

Knew Pop's Gags.

Teacher—Do you know who wrote that fairy story that I just read to you?

"No'm, but it sounds like one of pop's."—Boston Traveler.

Girls Will Be Girls.

"I believe Jack is going to propose to you, Alice."

"Why do you think so?"

"Well, he said he'd do something desperate if I refused him."—Chicago American.

In Bug Land.

Lady Bug—Oh, I know Mr. Bugsy sent this! I wonder how he knew it was my birthday?—San Francisco Examiner.

SALVAGE

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The touring car coughed spasmodically, stopped, crawled a few rods ahead and then stopped again. Densmore, cursing vigorously, tested various grips and levers without results. It was evident that something was radically wrong, but what that something was Densmore, who was very much of an amateur, was at a loss to discover.

He walked about the machine several times, crawled beneath it and carefully inspected the coils; then he drew off to one side and fired a broadside of choice anathema at the big red car standing mute and helpless in the dusty road.

It was too far to walk back to the hotel, and heaven only knew how far ahead this stretch of wood might extend. The safest plan seemed to be that of waiting patiently and trusting to the aid of some passing automobile. Fortunately the car had come to its final rest in the shadow of a big pine. Densmore found a copy of the morning paper in his coat pocket, and, climbing back on to the car, he settled back comfortably to read and wait for aid.

An hour passed by and not a soul appeared. What with reading stale news and listening to the sighing of the wind through the pines Densmore was becoming sleepy. He searched beneath the seat and found some wrapping paper tied about some golf sticks he had purchased in the village that morning. This he pressed into service and with a pencil inscribed in large letters the pathetic appeal: "Busted! Please help!" and tied it securely to the side of the car.

Then he curled up comfortably on the seat and despite the discomforts of cramped quarters and voracious mosquitoes was soon snoring lustily.

He was awakened by a peal of ringing laughter. He rose from the seat and rubbed his eyes. Before him in the dusty roadway stood a young woman, and as he looked his heart beat faster.

"Miss Trevor!" he cried.

"Oh, it's you!" she said. "I might have known it. The sign and the snores should have disclosed your identity."

"Was I snoring?" Densmore asked anxiously as he jumped down from the seat.

"I have been following the sound for the last mile or so," she laughed. "So you're in trouble too?"

"As you see," said he, waving his arm toward the car. "And you?"

"I am stalled a mile or so above here. I came along looking for help and found this," she laughed, nodding toward the machine.

"I apologize for the blamed thing," said he. "I have been watching for help since early afternoon."

"And passing the time very pleasantly," she observed. "Too bad I woke you."

Densmore bowed.

"A most felicitous awakening, I assure you," he said gallantly. "I wish I could give you the aid you came for, but"—

Miss Trevor was looking over the machine with critical eyes.

"If you simply connect the feed pipe it would be as good as new," she said.

Densmore crawled beneath the machine, and under Miss Trevor's direction the pipe was repaired.

"Now we'll go after your machine," he announced.

He helped her in and they sped up the road. Densmore steering a rather erratic course, it is true, for his eyes were watching the charming outline of the girl's face. They found her runabout and took it in tow.

"And now," said Densmore as they headed for the hotel, "we must settle on the salvage. Of course I shall demand it. It is always customary when you tow a disabled craft into port."

"Indeed!" said she.

He nodded gravely.

"I hope I'm not too high in my demands," said he.

"What are they?" she asked.

"Well," said he, "I demand in return for towing you to port a chance to finish out the conversation which you cut short on the bluff two nights since, and I also demand that you answer the question I was about to ask at that time in the affirmative."

Miss Trevor flushed.

"I shall cut the tow loose," said she.

Densmore said nothing. He looked at her out of the corners of his eyes, and to his satisfaction he noted that her head was turned away and that the little ear nearest him was very red.

They sped along for a time in silence.

"Why don't you cut it?" said he.

"I—I haven't a knife," she faltered.

"Would you if you had one?" he persisted.

There was a long wait before she vouchsafed a reply.

"No," she said gently.

Densmore caught her hand in his.

"I said lots of things about this car when it broke down on me this afternoon, but I'll take them all back," he said.

The girl's eyes were intent on the fleecy clouds drifting across the sky.

"Breaking down isn't half so bad, after all," she mused.

BARRY PRESTON.

His Whiskers.

Mrs. Vernon Greene—Why on earth don't you get your husband to cut off his whiskers? Mrs. Smithan Perle—I wouldn't have him do it for the world. I want him to let them grow and get them all out of his system.

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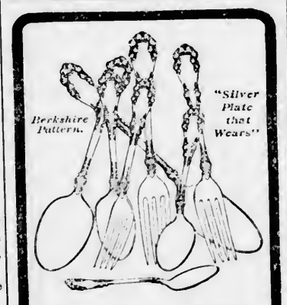

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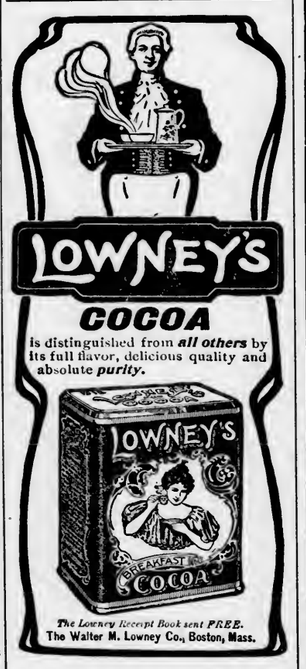

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SUICIDE WITH REVOLVER.

Worcester Young Man Shoots Himself in Palmer.

NO APPARENT CAUSE FOR THE ACT.

Shot Not Loud Enough to Attract Attention and Deed Not Discovered Till Morning.

Ernest Ullman, 18, of Worcester, committed suicide in the Converse House in Palmer Monday night by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. Although the deed was committed probably between 9.30 and 10 o'clock, it was not discovered until the following morning about 8, when the chambermaid went to the room to care for it. She rapped on the door, and getting no response supposed that the occupant had left, and attempted to open the door. It yielded only about six inches before it was obstructed by something, and glancing in she saw a man's head was the opposing object. Word was sent at once to the office and Clerk Waite responded. Others came about the same time, and in a few moments Medical Examiner Schneider, who had been summoned by telephone, arrived. By pushing against the door the body was moved sufficiently to allow persons to enter.

The body was found lying parallel with the bed, on its face, with the hands beneath the body. Between them was a 32-calibre revolver with four cylinders loaded and an empty shell in the fifth; a hole in the right side of the man's head showed where the fifth bullet had entered. The body was in an orderly condition and there were no signs of a struggle or spasm after the fatal shot had been fired—death had evidently been instantaneous. Undertaker Benson was summoned and the body was taken to his rooms on Main street, where an examination was made. An autopsy showed that the bullet had entered about midway on a line between the top of the ear and the corner of the eye, ranging downward slightly until it struck a bone, when it was deflected backward. The brain had been reached by the bullet, causing instant unconsciousness, and death resulted from a hemorrhage from the wound. The fingers of the right hand were stained with powder, as was also the temple, and the hair was somewhat singed.

An examination of the man's effects gave evidence that he had come from Worcester. His hat and shoes both bore the mark of Worcester dealers, and in his pockets were a transfer of the Worcester street railway company, and a card inviting the bearer to a party at the home of Miss Emma Hammerstrom, 39 Harlem street; there was no clue other than this, as the card was unaddressed. In the pockets were a gold watch and chain with the initials "E U." In the back of the watch case was the photograph of a young woman, and there was another in the locket on the chain; a card gave the man's weight as 135 pounds and his height as five feet five inches. In his pockets was also $3 in money. The clothing was of good quality. The Worcester police were notified and while the medical examiner was giving a description from this end the man's father was in the police station with information that his son was missing. A description was given by the father and he was notified that without doubt the body was that of his son. He came to Palmer in the evening with another son and the body was taken to Worcester that night.

Ullman came to Palmer Monday some time, as he was seen about the streets several times. In the early afternoon he applied at the wire mill for work, but was refused. About 6.20 he registered at the Converse House for the night as E. White, but gave no residence, and was given room 24 on the second floor. He said he did not care for supper but later decided that he would have some and went to the dining room, though he ate but little. After supper he went on the street and asked for revolvers at the jewelry store of E. Brooks; he was referred to Whitcomb & Faulkner, and there purchased the one with which he later ended his life. It is not known what time he went to his room, as no one appears to have seen him then, but it is supposed to have been in the vicinity of 9 30, and that he shot himself soon after, as about that time several persons in the house heard a sound which, in view of later developments, they think must have been the pistol shot and the fall of the body. Neither was sufficiently distinct however to attract unusual attention at the time. Ullman evidently was deliberate in his action. His overcoat was folded neatly across the footboard of the bed and his hat laid on top of the coat; then facing the door he ended his troubles—real or fancied—in the fraction of a second and without pain to himself.

The reason for the act is not known. By some it is supposed to have been because of his inability to get work. His father stated that everything was pleasant at home, but there may be a doubt as to the young man's opinion of the matter. There had evidently been a misunderstanding or disagreement or something amiss in the morning, for the father admitted that he did not come home to dinner; when he did not return at night they began to be alarmed, and when Tuesday morning came and he did not return word was left at the police station that he was missing and was wanted.

Meeting of the Historical Society.

The February meeting of the society was held on Wednesday night. Three persons were added to the membership. The curator reported the gift from Thomas lodge of Masons of a copy of its history and centennial observance in 1896.

The further consideration of the territorial expansion of the United States was ably set forth in three well digested papers. Mrs. Murdock of Thorndike gave a concise history of Florida from its discovery, and set forth how at length its territory became such a resort for bandits and outlaws that our government, as a means of safety, was led to acquit it from Spain.

Mr. E W. Carpenter followed with a paper giving in a condensed form an account of the settlement of Texas by Americans, their declaration of independence from Mexico, the consequent trouble with that country, and the final annexation to our country.

Mr. D. L. Bodfish's paper related to the causes and results of the war with Mexico. He gave a graphic recital of the brilliant achievement of our army with conquest of that country, never losing a battle, but overcoming great ordeals in nearly every case. He then gave an interesting account of the vast acquisitions to our territory, adding to our wealth and prestige, and putting at rest what otherwise would have contributed to complications. All the papers were listened to with close attention and enjoyment.

SUDDEN DEATH AT LUDLOW.

Watchman Found Dead in Dynamo Room Last Saturday Night.

William Supernaw, 63, a watchman employed by the Ludlow Manufacturing Associates, was found dead in the dynamo department Saturday night. It was noticed by Electrician Hayes that the lights were not on at the usual hour and an investigation revealed Supernaw's body on the floor. It was still warm, but life was extinct. He was probably on his first round of the factory when stricken. The body was removed to his home, upon permission of the medical examiner, and Dr. Bates of Springfield was notified. He went to Ludlow at once and after an examination concluded that death was due to natural causes, evidences of an enlarged heart being found by the physician. The body was found 12 feet away from the point of possible contact with the electrical machinery and no burns were found on the body. Supernaw, who was a native of New York, had lived in Ludlow for the past 17 years. He is survived by a widow, one daughter, Mrs. William Seidlow, and four sons, William of Montana, George of Springfield and John and Joseph at home.

BOWLING.

Otis Co. 2322, Palmer 2156.

The Palmers were defeated by the Otis company bowling team of Ware on the Amazeen alleys in Ware Monday night. The Ware team secured all four points, the last one by a margin of 166 points. The game was an interesting one and the difficult spares by McBride, McHenry and Tufts received much applause. The summary:

Otis Company.				
McHenry,	175	176	138	489
Rogers,	167	126	171	464
Robertson,	146	177	150	473
Orrell,	155	141	137	433
McBride,	162	151	153	466
Total,	805	768	749	2322
Palmer.				
Tufts,	154	155	149	458
McBride,	113	112	163	388
Dr. Keith,	153	179	135	467
Barrett,	165	126	147	438
Dr. Roche,	122	142	141	405
Total.	707	714	735	2156

Three Rivers 3, Palmer 1.

The fourth game in the series between Three Rivers and Palmer on Tufts's alleys Tuesday evening resulted in a score of 3 to 1 in favor of Three Rivers. Lavene was high man for the visitors with a single of 210 and a total of 555; Tufts for the Palmer team with a single of 232 and a total of 580. The score:

Three Rivers.				
Frame,	138	182	160	480
Lavene,	182	210	163	555
Trickett,	141	158	148	447
Story,	149	200	148	497
Upham,	177	162	141	480
Total,	787	912	760	2459
Palmer.				
Dr. Keith,	134	150	205	489
Morrill,	138	171	187	496
Barrett,	134	150	120	404
Tufts,	166	182	232	580
Dr. Roche,	158	146	168	472
Total,	730	799	912	2441

Butchers 1604, Grocers 1588.

The Grocers were defeated by the Butchers Wednesday evening in Tufts's alleys in the second game of the series. The Butchers won three points. The summary:

Butchers.				
Shaw,	94	117	116	327
Stacy,	105	112	85	302
Thompson,	102	90	91	283
Kempton,	136	86	97	319
Gunn,	112	114	147	373
Total,	349	519	526	1604
Grocers.				
Parkhurst,	120	114	122	356
Dwyer,	138	123	67	328
Doyle,	81	96	80	257
Foley,	95	96	115	306
Parker,	103	135	103	341
Total,	537	564	487	1588

Burnetts 1947, Reeds 1778.

At Bond's alleys in Thorndike Wednesday evening two teams from Three Rivers, captained by Henry Reed and Charles Burnett, played an interesting game of bottle pins, which resulted in a victory for the Burnett team by 169 pins. Burnett was high man for his side, 487, and Poland was high man for Reed's, 403. The same two teams will bowl again Thursday night. The summary:

Burnetts.				
Mason,	132	138	128	398
Darling,	81	112	102	295
Dent,	140	109	147	396
Abare,	118	113	140	371
Burnett,	133	159	195	487
	604	631	712	1947
Reeds.				
Barton,	96	117	90	313
Provo,	86	130	132	348
Reed,	129	114	134	377
Pendergast,	123	103	111	337
Paulin,	127	146	130	403
	561	610	597	1778

Palmer 1265, Bondsville 1209.

The Palmer and Bondsville teams played a game in Tufts's alleys last evening, the former winning by 56 points. Ahearn of Palmer rolled 104 and 260. The summary:

Palmer.				
McBride,	82	88	84	254
Holden,	78	74	74	226
Tufts,	96	86	85	267
Ahearn,	72	104	84	260
Roche,	79	85	94	258
Total,	407	437	437	1265
Bondsville.				
Hayes,	88	90	66	244
Arecotte,	69	81	74	224
Moore,	85	70	88	253
Moriarty,	92	81	77	250
Bowler,	82	89	72	238
Total,	410	406	377	1209

Yardmen 1646, Shophands 1587.

An interesting contest took place last evening at Bond's alleys in Thorndike between the yardhands and shophands in the employ of the Thorndike company, which resulted in a victory for the former by 59 pins. The following is the summary:

Yardhands.				
Dunn,	94	88	89	271
Bondsville,	113	80	106	299
Stone,	107	106	165	378
Otis,	119	94	104	317
McCrea,	113	131	137	381
	546	499	601	1646
Shophands.				
McKelligott,	83	106	77	266
Longtine,	114	176	140	430
Nephew,	80	63	84	226
Dailey,	121	105	75	301
Keefe,	92	132	139	363
	490	502	515	1587

The spinners and weavers of the No. 1 mill will bowl at Bond's alley in Thorndike next Monday night.

A league is to be formed between five teams, all of whom are residents of Thorndike. The first game is to be played Monday evening.

It is expected that the Palmer and Bondsville candlepin teams will meet at Thorndike next Wednesday night in one of the games of the series between these two teams.

The Colonials and Tuckers teams rolled the second match of a series on Amazeen's alleys in Ware Tuesday night, the Tuckers winning again by 32 pins. The Colonials took the first point, but lost the rest.

Next Tuesday evening the Thorndike clerks will bowl the clerks of Bondsville. The following will represent Bondsville: Bowler, Moriarty, Sharrott, Moore, Hayes; Thorndike, Arecott, M. Sullivan, Riley, T. Sullivan.

SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS.

Superintendent Fuller Suggests Several Changes.

MEDICAL INSPECTION IS ADVISED.

Would Close Two of the District Schools and Raise Salaries of the Teachers.

The school committee held its last meeting for the current municipal year Wednesday evening, and among other matters listened to the report of Superintendent Fuller. Although Mr. Fuller has known the schools of Palmer only since last fall he has formed a pretty definite opinion of them and has some recommendations to make. Principal among these are the closing of the schools in the Mason and Shorley districts and the transporting of the pupils to the other nearest schools; increased salaries for teachers; medical inspection of the school children, and the need of increased facilities at the high school. He also touches on the recent introduction of the fire drill and the phonetic system of reading for the lower grades.

In the Mason and Shorley schools the present enrollment is twelve in each, and the average attendance about nine; but this average is kept up only because days lost on account of bad weather are not counted as school days. The cost in these schools is about $30 per year for each pupil, several dollars more than the cost in the villages, to which must be added the expense for fuel, janitor service and the regular maintenance of the building. During the winter term often no more than two pupils are present at the session, and at times entire days and weeks are lost, to the great detriment of the pupils. It is also difficult to get normal graduates or teachers with experience to teach in secluded localities without much larger salaries than those paid in the more centrally located schools. The Shorley and the Mason buildings are not in good repair and must be extensively improved if they are to be occupied another year. They are not well located, are poorly heated, without ventilation and without external or internal attractions. In the larger schools these pupils would have not only the benefit of more experienced teachers, but the added inspiration of larger numbers. In the Mason district the pupils are so located that a portion could easily reach the grammar school at Palmer and the others the Palmer Center school. In the Shorley district the majority could be transported to Palmer Center, where they could take the electrics for the Palmer or Thorndike schools, and Mr. Fuller recommends that this be done and these two schools closed.

The fact that the teachers in the graded schools of Palmer stay only a short time before going elsewhere at larger salaries is commented upon, and it is pointed out that many teachers who have spent four years in a high school and two or more years in a normal school or college are obliged to work for an average of $5.75 per week for the 52 weeks of the year while gaining experience, and that in Palmer the grade teacher receives $6.70 per week, while the average price per board is $5. In comparison with this there are many lines of mechanical employment open to women whereby without a long period of probation they are able to earn as high as $14 per week. Everywhere women are more and more in demand as wage earners, and new lines are constantly being opened for them. Under these circumstances it is not to be wondered at that the teachers do not remain long with the Palmer schools when so many opportunities for improving their financial condition are presented, and the recommendation is that some provision be made for increasing their salaries.

In his suggestion for medical inspection of the scholars, he says that too much stress cannot be laid upon the importance of the safety of the boys and girls, whether from fire or impure air and diseased germs. The teachers are expected to teach habits of order, neatness and the personal care of the health. On every hand school systems are adopting some means of medical inspection owing to the rapid increase of population and the habits and customs of many of our foreign born citizens. Should an epidemic of any contagious disease break out among the children it would be a matter of no small moment, and for a moderate expense it would be possible to provide the schools with at least weekly visits from reputable physicians, who could arrange for tests of sight and hearing and thus perhaps bring about a better understanding of cases of slowly acting minds and so-called dull pupils who are discouraged because they cannot see or hear properly, or physically are not up to their fellows.

Attention is called to the crowded condition of the high school building, which matter has been alluded to in the columns of the Journal previously. Mr. Fuller lays special emphasis upon the inadequate floor space for the accommodation of the present number of pupils, the imperfect means of escape from the building in case of fire, and the lack of any proper ventilation in the building. The coat rooms are inadequate and the main room and the class rooms overcrowded. A second entrance on Park street is needed, increased floor space in the main room, at least two additional recitation rooms, better provisions for a drawing room, additional cloak room, better ventilation facilities and certain improvements in the basement.

Regarding the three-years' course in the high school, he recommends its early abolishment, and the granting of pupils who are compelled to leave school at the end of the third year a certificate of accomplishment rather than a three-year diploma.

The large number of cases of tardiness and dismissals in the several schools is commented upon with the suggestion that the parents are not getting the best returns for the capital invested in the schools when they allow their children to remain at home or lose time because of tardiness or dismissal, and suggests that the legitimate times for the retention of children at home are cases of illness of the child, contagious disease in the household, very inclement weather, and death in the immediate family or home. The loss of daily instruction in the school often results in discouragement or failure of promotion, and irregular habits tend to break down the moral fibre of the child by teaching it to disregard punctuality and implicit obedience to law.

Although the teaching of reading by the phonic system in the lower grades has been in use only a few months, it has proved very satisfactory, five-years-old pupils pronouncing almost any word whose sounds they know, and instances have been noted of children previously unable to articulate

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DON'T SHOOT PHEASANTS.

Governor Signs Bill Protecting Them for Two Years More.

Few persons were perhaps aware of the fact that they might have killed an English, Mongolian, or golden pheasant on Monday without being liable to a line of $20. The law in relative to pheasants ran out Sunday night at midnight and there was a space of 24 hours in which it was legal to kill these birds, but the following day Governor Douglas signed a bill further protecting them until October, 1907. The law which expired on Sunday was enacted in 1900, protecting them for a period of five years. Pheasants in this section have not been very prolific; although several have been seen in various towns adjoining Palmer they have not been much of a success. Pheasants have been liberated in and about Palmer by the state fish and game commission, but rarely have they been seen afterwards. One cause perhaps is the fact that the birds when young resemble the partridge and may have been mistaken for them and killed. The eastern part of the state seems to be best adapted to their breeding, as they are seen there daily in large numbers, especially in and about Boston, Salem, Lynn and Winchester Falls.

THORNDIKE POOL MATCH.

Independents 1394, S. M. T. A. S. 1347.

The result of the pool match between the Independents and the Temperance society teams the past week has placed the Independents in the lead by 47 points. This week's contest opened with the Temperance team in the lead by nine points. Monday night the game between M. Sullivan and M. Loftus was won by the former, 100 to 88 points, giving the Independents a lead of three points. The game Wednesday evening between Camile Pero for the Independent team against C. E. Walker resulted in a defeat for the Temperance side by 44 points, giving the Independents now a strong lead which they will try and hold until the end of the contest. Walker is high man with 285 points; Pero comes next with 256 points, and T Sullivan next with 240 points. The usual interest was shown at the games the past week, which were witnessed by a large number.

The summary:

Independents.	
C. Bressette,	195
T Longtine,	160
D. Bressette,	198
W. LaPlant,	76
Wm. Gingraw,	94
Alex Goodreau,	41
F. Gebo,	60
M. Stokes,	29
F. McIntire,	23
M. F. Sullivan,	187
Geo. LaPlante,	74
Camile Pero,	256
Total,	1394
S. M. T. A. S.	
C. E. Walker,	285
D. J Sullivan,	142
T F. Sullivan,	240
P. Cahill Jr.,	71
W. C. Riley,	87
M. F. Hurley,	174
F. Longtine,	29
J. J. Mongeau,	40
P. Stokes,	100
M. F. Loftus,	188
Total,	1347

A pool match has been arranged between Richard Riley, formerly of West Warren, and Camile Pero of Thorndike for $5 a side. The game is for 100 points and will be played at Massie's pool rooms tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Thomas Murphy of Monson is stakeholder. The referee will be some disinterested party.

BASKETBALL.

Chicopee High 36, Monson Academy 31.

An interesting game of basketball was played in Chicopee Saturday afternoon between Monson Academy and Chicopee high. The result was in favor of Chicopee by the score of 36 to 31. The game as a whole was fast and clean. The summary:

Chicopee High.	Monson Academy.
Fitzpatrick, White, r f	l g, Ronrke
Fay, l f	r g, English
Hale, Nesbitt, c	c, Hynes, Faulkner
Nesbitt, Hale, l g	r f, Faulkner, Hynes
Campbell, r g	l f, Briggs

Goals, Fitzpatrick, White, Hale 6. Nesbitt 5, Fay 4, Briggs 8, Faulkner 3, Hynes 3, English. Referee, Nash. Scorer and timekeeper, Kearns. Time, 20-minute halves.

Belchertown 22, Northampton Commercials 6.

Belchertown high won an easy game from the Northampton Commercial College in Belchertown Monday afternoon. The score was 22 to 6. The summary:

Belchertown H. S.	Northampton C. C.
Atwood, l f	r g, Blanchard
Austin, r f	l g, Coughlin
G. Williams, c	c, Reed
Gould, l g,	r f, McDonald
L. William, r g	l f, Shea

Score: Belchertown high 22, Northampton 6. Goals from field, Austin 7, Atwood 2, Coughlin, L. Williams, G. Williams, Shea, McDonald. Referee, Riley. Umpire, Hoag. Scorer, Fairchild. Time, 25-minute halves.

Belchertown 17, M. A. C. Freshmen 14.

Belchertown high defeated the Massachusetts Agricultural College freshmen in Belchertown Tuesday night, 17 to 14 The match was fast and interesting all through. The summary:

Belchertown High.	M. A. C. Freshman
Atwood, l f	r g, Regan
Austin, r f	l g, Bates
G. Williams, c	c, Gillett
H. Adkins, l g	r f, Whitmarsh
L. Williams, r g	l f, Cobb

Score: Belchertown 17, Massachusetts Agricultural College freshman 14. Goals from field, L. Williams, G. Williams 3, Austin 3, Whitmarsh 3, Gillett, Regan. Goals from fouls, G. Williams, Atwood 2, Whitmarsh 2. Referees, Riley and Hastings. Timer, Hoag. Scorer, Bridgman. Time, 15 and 20-minute halves.

Fire in Ware Millinery Store.

The millinery store of Mrs. A. Fletcher in the block owned by the heirs of John H. Storrs, located on the north side of Main street in Ware, next to the Mansion House block, was badly damaged by fire early Sunday morning. The fire was discovered by Frank Flagg, proprietor of the Star lunch room, soon after 12 He rang in an alarm at 12.20. The firemen confined the blaze to the store, but the interior was badly burned, especially the wall between the Fletcher store and that of the grocery store of L. B. Sibley & Co. The smoke spread all through the building and upstairs filled the office of George D Storrs and the rooms of the Knights of Columbus, besides driving out the family of Dr. A. A. Auger, whose apartments were on the second floor. The family went to the Mansion House for the night. The damage all through the building is simply by smoke, excepting the Fletcher store. The block is covered by insurance and Mrs. Fletcher has a policy of $1700 on her stock. Others who may have suffered a loss from smoke are also protected. The total loss on the millinery stock will probably exceed $1000. The loss on the block was $500 The fire was caused by a defective chimney.

Probate Court Business.

Sittings of the probate court were held in Springfield and Westfield Wednesday, when the following business of local interest was transacted: Wills proved of—Almira Pelton, late of Monson, George E. McAllister of Monson executor; Diana Davis, late of Springfield, H. P. Cummings of Ware executor. Accounts allowed, Mary Sibley, late of Palmer. Distribution decreed in the estate of Mary Sibley, late of Palmer.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 17, 1905.

PALMER NEWS.

Howard and Sherman.

The death of Gen. McPherson before Atlanta, July 20th, 1864, left the army of the Tennessee without a commander. After careful consultation with Gen George H. Thomas, the hero of Chickamauga, Gen. Sherman decided, notwithstanding the fact that Logan and Hooker both aspired to the vacant position, that Howard was the officer best qualified to exercise the command. He was accordingly appointed to succeed McPherson four days after the latter's death.

On the 28th of July was fought the battle of Ezra Church, where the brunt of the attack fell upon Gen. Howard's troops. Commenting upon his conduct in this action Gen. Sherman says: "This was, of course, the first fight in which Gen. Howard had commanded the army of the Tennessee, and he evidently aimed to reconcile Gen. Logan in his disappointment, and to gain the heart of his army, to which he was a stranger. He very properly left Gen. Logan to fight his own corps, but exposed himself freely; and, after the firing had ceased, in the afternoon he walked his lines; the men, as reported to me, gathered about him in the most affectionate way, and he at once gained their respect and confidence. To this fact I at the time attached much importance, for it put me at ease as to the future conduct of that most important army.."

Subsequent events showed that Gen. Sherman's confidence in Gen. Howard's ability was not misplaced. In the celebrated march from Atlanta to the sea and northward through the Carolinas the different parts of the army were of necessity so widely separated that Gen. Howard exercised what was practically an independent command. It was Hazen's division of the army of the Tennessee that captured Fort McAllister Dec. 13th, 1864, and rendered certain the fall of Savannah. Two months later Gen. Howard's troops, accompanied by Gen. Sherman in person, took possession of Columbia, S. C., where the first ordinance of secession had been passed in Dec, 1860.

After the successful North Carolina campaign, the battle of Bentonville, and the surrender of Johnston in the spring of 1865 came the march to Washington and the grand review. On this occasion, though Gen. Howard had severed his connection with the army to accept the appointment as commissioner of the new Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, Gen. Sherman insisted that he should ride by his side at the head of the marching columns.

The friendship between these two men, born of their common experiences in the greatest march in America's history, was never strained nor broken. When Gen Sherman died, thirteen years ago this very month, the arrangements for his funeral were in charge of Generals Howard and Slocum, his two old wing commanders.

Valuable Dog Poisoned.

A. J. Purinton, on his arrival home Thursday noon of last week, discovered one of his valuable beagle hounds in an unconscious condition. Symptoms of poisoning were present, and the dog died in a short time. A post-mortem examination revealed that a poison had been administered, and a subsequent investigation disclosed the place where the poison was purchased. The police authorities are satisfied that they have discovered the perpetrator of the crime, but have encountered many difficulties in procuring sufficient evidence to warrant the arrest and prosecution of the party. The crime is a very serious one, and the penalty is fixed at five years in state prison or a fine of not more than one thousand dollars. No arrests have yet been made.

Mr. Purinton states that no complaints had ever been made to him about the dog, and it is not known that the animal annoyed anyone to any serious degree. The dog was confined in an enclosure and was not permitted to run at large, and the poison was administered while the animal was in the enclosure at the home of the owner. The matter has aroused much interest and many persons have cooperated in the effort which is being made to bring the guilty party to justice, and it is regrettable that a person so debased as to commit such a crime should still be at large and not within the clutches of the law. It would seem that no amount of provocation could condone such an act.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

Our next dance will be held Tuesday night, Feb. 21. Visitors are welcome.

As our usual musicians were unable to fill their engagement for the dance Wednesday night, Miss May Dillon filled their place very acceptably.

Many contributions of magazines and papers have been received from time to time from thoughtful friends in town. Just now such gifts are especially useful as the supply has run low.

Arrangements have been made with Chief Engineer Bills of the Palmer fire department whereby the Palmer firemen and apparatus will respond to a fire at the hospital at any time when they shall be needed.

The value of oxen is well illustrated at the hospital, three yoke of steers and two yoke of oxen are being kept at work during all suitable weather. Just now their work is drawing wood cut from the fallen or decaying trees through the woods and orchards. Fifty cords of such wood has already been collected by the teams and sawed by the men at different cottages.

J. B. Dawson is in New York for a few days.

Mrs. C. B. Thomas is visiting friends in South Framingham.

The overseers of the poor took inventory at the town farm Tuesday.

Mrs. L. M. Shaw has gone to Pittsfield for the remainder of the winter.

G. E. Dalrymple of Providence spent Sunday with his family on Knox street.

There will be preaching services in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Once-a-Week Club will hold a meeting at the Converse House to-morrow evening.

The interior of the railroad passenger station is being brightened by a coat of varnish.

The Converse House whist club will meet in the parlors of the hotel next Monday evening.

A telephone has been installed in the office of F. J. Hamilton, coal dealer; the number is 53-2.

The Penelope Sewing Circle met last evening with Miss Esther Lumbard on Pleasant street.

Rev. C. Julian Tuthill occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church last Sunday evening.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30.

Miss Grace Thompson returned to-day from Wellesley for a short vacation, accompanied by two school friends.

Kelley's dancing class held a valentine and prose party in the opera house last evening, to which the public was admitted.

The Republican town committee has organized with R. E. Cummings as chairman and H. A. Shaw as secretary and treasurer.

Mr and Mrs W. H. Woodhead of Fitchburg are guests of Mrs. Woodhead's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bray on Pleasant street.

James F Fenton, clerk at the Converse House, has been spending a part of the week in Boston, his place in the hotel being filled by W. F. Waite.

Mrs. Howard Clark of Springfield, who has been in the hospital for treatment, has returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Barnes on Pleasant street.

O. P. Allen attended the Sunday school convention at Barre last Saturday, when he gave an address, having for his topic "Some of the possibilities of a neglected field."

The town clock has been out of repair for some time, and a subscription paper has been circulated this week to obtain funds to pay for putting the apparatus in working order.

There has recently been a slight change in the telephone rates. The special line rate to residences has been reduced $3 a year, and two-party service to residences reduced $2 a year.

Rev. W. A. Moore of the Universalist church has been in Boston this week attending the meetings of the Religious Education Society. O. P. Allen and D. L Bodfish also attended.

A meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club was held in the parlors of St Paul's church this afternoon, when Mrs. Florence Hall Howe of Plainfield, N. J., lectured on "Personal Reminiscences of Distinguished Men."

The intense steady cold of the past two weeks has sent the frost deep into the ground, finding many water pipes and freezing them. The plumbers are having a busy time in their endeavors to find and thaw out the frozen spots.

The barbers, who have been in the habit of keeping their shops open until 12 o'clock Saturday nights, have decided that their patrons can all be accommodated by 11, and have agreed to close their shops at that hour on Saturday nights after March 1.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold its annual chicken-pie supper in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening. Supper will be served at 6 30 There will be a sale of fancy articles and home-made candy, and after supper there will be dancing, with music by Nelson's orchestra.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church Sunday morning will be " A Double Reconciliation," Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 ; evening song service at 7, followed by the seventh sermon in the series on "The Questions of Man"; special subject, "A Demoniac's Rebellion."

G. N. Stone was tipped out of his sleigh yesterday afternoon while on his way from his home in Tenneyville to this village, by the runner catching in the electric car while he was turning out for another team. The horse ran for some distance, but was stopped before any damage had resulted.

Dr. H. C. Cheney will move his office and residence next week to the "Lawrence" house on the corner of Main and Church streets, and will open his office there on Saturday. His office will be on the west side of the house, next the Lawrence block, and an entrance has been arranged on that side.

Dr. E. E. Hill, who formerly conducted a dental office in Palmer, has in contemplation the establishment of another, and will erect a building especially for his use if a desirable site can be obtained. He is negotiating with the Boston and Albany road for the lease of a piece of land on the south side of Main street, between the Stone and Holbrook blocks.

The Ladies' Society of the Congregational church held a meeting in the church parlors Wednesday afternoon to discuss the matter of the annual May dinner. A committee was appointed whose duty it will be to bring in a list of committees to have charge of the several departments of the dinner. Committees were also appointed in connection with the Easter sale to be held a little later.

The mid-winter convention of the Hampden County Women's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the Baptist church, Elmwood, Holyoke, next Tuesday. A most interesting program has been arranged. Miss H. E. Dunhill of India, who charmed all her hearers at the state convention and later at the National, is to give an address in the afternoon at 3. Several from here are planning to attend.

Sunday morning at the Congregational church there will be preaching at 10 45; Sunday school at noon, Endeavor services at 4, 5 and 6 in the afternoon. At the 7 o'clock evening service in the chapel D. L. Bodfish and O. P. Allen will give interesting reports from the meeting of the Religious Education Society held in Boston this week. An earnest invitation is extended. Mid-week prayer service Thursday evening at 7.30.

The executive committee of the Palmer Woman's Club held a meeting Wednesday afternoon for the discussion of matters pertaining to the interests of the club. Among others was the stamp savings system, being adopted in so many of the schools, whereby the children are encouraged to save their pennies instead of spending them for confectionery, gum and other things of that sort. It is probable that an effort will be made to have the system adopted in the Palmer schools.

Past Capt. E E Hobson of the Sons of Veterans went to Pittsfield Friday evening by invitation to deliver an address before the Grand Army, Sons of Veterans and Women's Relief Corps members at the annual joint memorial service. The Pittsfield Journal said of the affair: "Those who were present had the pleasure of listening to one of the finest addresses on Lincoln ever delivered to a Pittsfield audience," and the Eagle spoke in equally complimentary terms of his effort.

The Ladies of Columbus held a very successful heart party in the opera house Tuesday evening. There was a very large attendance, and all seemed to enjoy the occasion to the limit. Each person on being admitted was presented with a valentine, and the gentlemen were supposed to find for a partner the lady whose valentine matched theirs. There was dancing through the evening, music being furnished by Sanger's orchestra of Springfield, and refreshments of various kinds were served.

PALMER CENTER.

Mrs. Will Blodget and daughter Marion visited at P. S. Trumble's last week.

D. J. Mahoney was in Boston this week as a delegate to the state Grand Army convention.

A party of girls from the Monson hat shop called on Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dimmock Tuesday evening. Music, dancing and refreshments made the evening a most pleasant one.

The chimney on the house of R. Lamb caught fire Saturday and burned fiercely for a time. The rafters also took fire, but the blaze was discovered and extinguished before any serious damage was done.

THORNDIKE.

Matthew Coffee of Easthampton spent Sunday in town.

Frederick Gay of Springfield spent Sunday with his parents here.

Mrs. D. O'Connor of South Hadley Falls has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. James F. Loftus.

Miss Ella Martin of Colchester, N. H., is passing a few days as the guest of friends and relatives here.

Mrs. M. Coleman of Ware, formerly of this place, has returned home after spending several days with relatives here.

Morris Lawlor Sr., who has been confined to his home by serious illness for several days, is reported as improving.

The Polish residents turned out in large numbers on Sunday at the services which were held in their new church for the first time.

Miss Annie Longtine has resumed work in the Phelps Publishing Co. of Springfield after a week's illness at the home of her parents on Church street.

The benefit dance for Patrick Riley, the blind boy, will be held Friday evening, March 3d, in Union Hall. Music will be furnished by the Marine orchestra.

A large number went to Palmer Tuesday evening to attend the "Heart Party" given by Palmer council, Ladies of Columbus, which was held in the opera house.

A large number of Thorndike young men attended the valentine party at Monson last Friday evening, returning by special electrics Saturday morning. All report a good time.

A large party from this place went to Indian Orchard on a sleighride Saturday evening. The party was entertained at the Indian Leap House, where dancing and refreshments were in order.

THREE RIVERS.

F. B. Cudworth has recovered from his recent illness.

Harris Drycout has recovered from his recent illness.

John Matchett has recovered from his recent illness.

Jennie Debey of Clinton is visiting Miss Mary Rollett on Bourne street.

E. Witkin has moved his store from Johnson's block to Willis's block.

Mass was held in the Polish Catholic church for the first time last Sunday.

John Lester of West Warren spent Sunday with friends in West Warren.

Adelore Harness of West Warren is visiting Eugene Rivera on Kelly street.

S. W. Wells went to Nashua, N. H., Tuesday, where he has taken a position.

Mrs. Charles Giroux was called to Springfield Tuesday by the death of her mother.

Mrs. C. S. Ruggles entertained her Sunday school class at her home Tuesday night.

The H. A. Club held a valentine party at its rooms in the Riverside Hotel Tuesday night.

Mrs. D. S. Gray has returned to her home on Kelly street after a visit with relatives in Natick.

Alphonse Henrichon, who was operated on for appendicitis in Springfield, returned home Tuesday.

Rev. H. A. Barker of Jamaica Plain exchanged pulpits with Rev. Charles Olmstead last Sunday.

Charles O'Connor had a hand and foot frozen last Sunday morning and amputation will be necessary.

Oliver Cleland, who has been ill at his home in North Wilbraham, has returned to his duties in the Palmer Mill.

Raymond Grout, who has been visiting his brother, L. E Grout, returned to his home in New Fane, Vt., yesterday.

Mrs. Charles Olmstead and her mother, Mrs. Fuller, were called to Cambridge by the death of Mrs. Olmstead's father yesterday.

Mrs. D. C. York, who was taken to the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield with an attack of appendicitis recently, has returned home.

The subject for Rev. D. C. York's sermon next Sunday morning will be, "The Will of Jesus Christ;" the evening topic will be, "The Eastern Question."

A number of members of the H. A. Club went to Springfield yesterday to hear "Ireland's Own" Band. Among those who attended were Dennis Horgan, Daniel Dunn, James Hanafin and Daniel Fogarty.

The ninth grade of the grammar school will give an entertainment in Ruggles' Hall next Friday night. The entertainment will consist of a drama and several drills by the school children. An admission of 10 cents will be charged.

BONDSVILLE.

Eugene Fenton is suffering from an attack of the grippe.

Mrs. F. S. Gordon is visiting at her home in Au Sable Chasm, N. Y.

Miss Florence Bond has been visiting in Stafford Springs, Ct., this week.

Mrs. Edward Sharratt has been confined to her home this week with a severe cold.

George Adams is to move soon into one of R. L. Bond's tenements on Main street.

Miss Alice Thompson and Miss Mabel Ryther spent last Friday and Saturday in Boston.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold its next meeting at the home of Mrs. A. M. Billings.

Mrs. W. H. Woodhead of Fitchburg was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Holden Tuesday.

Joseph Shea, clerk for C. L. Holden & Sons, is confined to his home by an attack of the grip.

Miss Smart, clerk for O. A. Parent, is confined to her home in Three Rivers by a severe cold.

Herbert Sedgwick of New Haven, Ct., was the guest of his father, Butler Sedgwick, over Sunday.

Mrs. Page of Hardwick and Waldo Lincoln of Ware were guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Parent last Sunday.

Miss Ora W. Parent acted as organist at the M. E. church last Sunday in the absence of the regular one.

Miss Ora W. Parent of Framingham visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Parent, over Saturday and Sunday.

Mr Cook, the harness maker and shoe repairer, has moved his family from Belchertown to the tenement owned by N. Girouard.

Mrs. Marcua Culver is to move from R L. Bond's tenement on Main street into one owned by Mrs. Maria Bond on Crawford street.

Mrs. Amanda Clark, who has been employed as housekeeper for Joseph Cowles, has gone to Ludlow to make her future home with her sister.

Joseph Cowles has moved his goods from the tenement over Clark & Hastings' market to Belchertown, where he will make his future home.

The wedding of Miss Josie M. Shea of this village to Edward Maher of Hampden was held last Tuesday morning.

Rev. Mr. Beal's goods, which have been stored in this village since his departure last April, were shipped Tuesday to his new place of residence in the West.

Miss Anna M. Collis, who has been organist in the M. E. church for a number of years, has resigned her position, and will be succeeded by Miss Leila Beeman.

The King's Daughters Circle met last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Morse. The next meeting will be held next Friday afternoon at the home of Miss Dora Hayes.

Olin F. Parent, who has been at a sanitarium in Clifton Springs, N. Y, for his health, returned home last Friday. Mr. Parent had improved somewhat during his stay there but was taken ill at Albany on his way home and has been confined to the house most of the time since.

A sleighride party of about 25 young people from the Epworth League Society of the Methodist church in Monson are expected to come to Bondsville this evening. The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E church in this village will serve a baked-bean supper for them upon their arrival. Supper will be served for the public at 6 30 o'clock at 25 cents a plate.

The funeral of Marcus M. Culver, who died last week Tuesday night, was held from his late home on Main street last Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. L. L Beeman of the M. E. church officiating, and a quartette composed of Mrs. F. S Gordon, Miss Elizabeth Russell, Rev. L. L. Beeman and Dr. H. A. Smith rendered selections. A delegation from L. L Merrick post, G. A. R., of which the deceased was a member, attended and also a number from the Woman's Relief Corps. The floral tributes were beautiful and included a basket of flowers from the Relief Corps The bearers were members of the G. A. R. and were E. E Ryther of Bondsville, H. E W. Clark of Thorndike, Horace Stimson and D. J. Mahoney of Palmer Center and Messrs. Davis and Crimmins. Burial was in the Four Corners cemetery.

Fraternity Notes.

Tockwotton tribe of Red Men meet next Thursday evening.

Quaboag council, Royal Arcanum, meets next Tuesday evening.

The Ladies of Columbus hold a regular meeting next Tuesday evening.

Court Palmer, Foresters of America, will meet next Tuesday evening.

Palmer council, Knights of Columbus, hold a regular meeting next Thursday evening.

A regular convocation of Hampden Royal Arch chapter of Masons will be held next Monday evening.

A regular meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps was held this afternoon. The meeting two weeks from to-day will be held in the evening.

Mrs. Abbie J. Lawton and Mrs. L. E. Carpenter have been attending the annual convention of the Woman's Relief Corps in Boston as delegates from L. L. Merrick corps of Palmer.

Grand Prelate Charles B. Wilson of Westfield paid a visit to Pilgrim commandery, Knights of Malta, at their meeting Tuesday evening and conferred the degree on three candidates. There was a collation after the work.

WALES.

Death of John C. Burley.

John C. Burley, 67, died at his home Wednesday morning after a several years' illness. Mr. Burley was born in Wales and spent most of his life there. For many years he was identified with the woolen mill as partner and superintendent. He represented his district one year in the House of Representatives, and had served the town in several different offices. In politics he was a Republican. He enlisted in the 51st Mass. regiment at the beginning of the war and served his full time as sergeant of his company. For the past few years he had been in failing health, but devoted part of his time to farming and the lumber business. He is survived by a widow and one daughter, Mrs. L. H. Thompson. The funeral was held this afternoon at his late home on Main street and burial was in the Laurel Hill cemetery.

Mrs. R. L. Boynton of Main street is ill with grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Bissell are both ill with severe colds and grippe.

Mrs. Lodis Braman, 78, is seriously ill with a complication of diseases.

Mrs. George Steene is in Franklin, where she was called by the illness of her sister, Mrs. Clarke.

John Vasha, an eight-years-old boy, had his leg badly injured one day recently while attempting to ride on the runner of a sleigh. He caught his foot in the irons and was dragged some distance before he was discovered His screams attracted the attention of the driver of the sleigh, who stopped and extricated the boy's foot.

WARREN.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Fairbanks are spending a six-weeks' vacation in Florida.

Hugh McGee of Florence has taken a position in the foundry of the Perkins machine company.

The body of Frederick E., the infant son of Mrs Edith Barrett, who died in Springfield Sunday, was taken to Warren Tuesday and, after a service in the Congregational chapel, was placed in the receiving vault at Pine Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Charles A. Deland gave a valentine party Wednesday evening in honor of her children, Hazel, Dorothy and Charles. About 25 of their young friends were present and enjoyed an evening of heart games, at the conclusion of which a heart lunch was served.

O. H. Adams, superintendent of the Warren, Wales and Holland school district, has received from the state board of education a certificate of fitness and competency, as required by all superintendents by a recent act of the Legislature. The term of the certificate is for three years.

Miss Jane Ann Hall, 84, died Monday afternoon after a short illness at the home of her nephew, S N. Cutler of River street, where she had made her home for the past winter. She leaves besides Mr. Cutler, two nephews, S. N. Knowlton of North Grafton and L P. Cutler of Petersham, and a niece, Miss Elmina Cutler of Warren. The body was taken to Spencer for burial.

A special town meeting has been called for Thursday, "To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of section 333, chapter 1, of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, relating to precinct voting for election of town officers, also voting on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and if the subsequent meeting shall be held the following Saturday afternoon, or act in any way relative theerto "

A Picture and Frame Free With the Boston Globe Next Sunday.

A picture and frame will be given away with every copy of the Boston Globe next Sunday and each succeeding Sunday until the series is complete. This is the first time any newspaper ever gave a frame with a picture, thus making the whole complete and ready to be hung on the wall. Every one will wish to have a complete collection of the Sunday Globe's framed pictures. They are just the thing for a boy's or girl's room, a den, a club, a camp or a playhouse. The demand for such a useful and attractive novelty is likely to exceed the supply. The first of the series will be a reproduction in colors of Stuart's famous painting of George Washington. No one can be certain of getting the complete collection unless he orders from his newsdealer in advance the Boston Globe for next Sunday and for all the Sundays of this series of famous pictures and pretty frames.

The March Smart Set.

The Smart Set has fairly outdone itself in the March number, which marks the beginning of the sixth year of its existence. The complete novel is "The Princess Elopes," by Harold MacGrath, who is at his very best in this charming tale of a European princess and a young American medical student. It is a delightful blending of romance and delicate humor, touched everywhere with the deft hand of an author who has mastered his craft. One of the best stories in the magazine is "A Venial Offense," by Norvell Harrison. In marked contrast to its humor is the powerful and dramatic motive of Beatrix Demarest Lloyd's "A Man Unlearned." William Hamilton Osborne's "The Transfer of Thorneycroft" is a strikingly clever and satirical story of a phase of smart society, and "The Transit of a Soul," by Frances Aymar Mathews, is so strange and unusual that it defies classification. Other stories are by Kate Jordan, Van Tassel Sutphen, Clinton Dangerfield, Julia B. Foster and Algernon Tassin. Maurice Francis Egan has an entertaining and timely essay on "Questions of Precedence," in which he discusses the laws that govern social usages in Washington.

The verse is of remarkably fine quality, and includes characteristic work by Madison Cawein, Zona Gale, Arthur Stringer, Florence Wilkinson, Gouverneur Morris, Edith M. Thomas, R. K. Munkittrick and John Vance Cheney.

"He's sorry now that he quarreled with her." "She's gone home to her mother, I suppose." "No. She's had her mother come home to her."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

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DIED.

In Monson, 12th, Mrs. Mary Carberry, 90.
In Wales, 15th, John C. Burley, 67.

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The "Roswell Hastings" farm of 100 acres, more or less, with a fine set of buildings, all in repair, running water at house and barn, cream taken at the door. This farm handy to Ware, Bondsville and Thorndike, is one mile from Forest Lake, land borders on Ware river.

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TOWN OF PALMER.

COLLECTOR'S SALE FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES.

The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate situate in the town of Palmer in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public, are hereby notified that the taxes thereon severally assessed for the years hereinafter specified, according to the lists committed to me as collector of taxes for said town of Palmer by the assessors of taxes, remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land sufficient to satisfy said taxes with interest and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of said land, if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof, will be offered for sale by public auction in front of the brick building situate on Church street in the Depot Village of said Palmer, owned by the Palmer Savings Bank, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March, A. D. 1905, at 2 30 of the clock in the afternoon for the payment of said taxes with interest costs and charges thereon, unless the same shall be previously discharged.

Heirs of William Hancock, otherwise known as the heirs of William E. Hancock.

A certain tract or parcel of land in said Palmer bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a stake and stones at the northwest corner of said lot on the highway leading from Palmer Depot to Warren, thence north 3° west eight rods to a pine tree, thence east 11° south fourteen rods to stake and stones, thence south 3° east eight rods to stake and stones on the highway, thence on said highway west 11° north fourteen rods to the first-named boundary, containing one hundred and twelve rods of land, be the same more or less, with all appurtenances appertaining to the same, reserving however the right to the use of the spring of water on the same for the use of buildings formerly of A.V. and J. D. Blanchard, and being the same premises conveyed by deed of Alonzo V. and John D. Blanchard to said William E. Hancock, dated the eleventh day of June, 1859, recorded with Hampden Registry, Book 208, page 366.

Also a certain other parcel of land situate in said Palmer, bounded and described as follows, to wit:—Commencing at the northeast corner of land now owned by said Hancock at a stake and stones, thence easterly 14 52 rods to a stake and stones, thence south 1½° west 58 rods to a stake and stones, thence westerly on the highway leading from Palmer Depot to the poor farm, being north 68° and 50' west 14.16 rods to the southeast corner of said Hancock land at a stake and stones, thence northerly on the line of said Hancock land to the first mentioned bound, containing 97 rods more or less, and being the same premises conveyed by the inhabitants of the town of Palmer to said Hancock by deed dated the 21st day of March, 1861 and recorded with Hampden Registry, Book 227, page 494.

Taxes of 1902,	$9 31
Taxes of 1903,	8.41
Taxes of 1904,	7.65

CHARLES R SHAW.

A certain tract or parcel of land situate in said Palmer, bounded and described as follows: "Beginning and bounded northerly on land now or formerly of Christopher Boyle, George Gould and others; westerly by land formerly of John Strickland; southerly on land formerly of John Shaw; easterly by land formerly of Elbridge Blair, it being the estate of the late Samuel Shaw, decease, and is the homestead which I now occupy, containing 320 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Michael McBride to myself dated April 25, 1871, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 280, Page 385, and containing 55 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a warranty deed from Elizabeth Cox, bounded easterly by my other land and land of T. & L. Brown; northerly, westerly and southerly by said Browns, containing 64 acres more or less, said deed dated March 9, 1869, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 267, Page 180. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer, fully described in a warranty deed from O. B. Owen, dated October 27, 1865 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 238, Page 26. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Mary A. Bliss and others, dated November 23, 1863, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 236, Page 276. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a quitclaim deed from Martin Shaw to Samuel Shaw, dated January 14, 1848, and entered for record in Hampden County Deeds on June 4, 1898. Also the estate situate in said Palmer and fully described in two deeds from Alfred K Shaw and others, dated January 21 and 22, 1869, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, that dated January 21, in Book 267, Page 181, and that dated January 22, in Book 413, Page 169. Also another parcel of land situate in said Palmer and containing 8 acres more or less, situate north of the "Merrick Lot," meaning and intending hereby to convey my whole estate as described in aforesaid deeds wheresoever situated and howsoever bounded and described. Excepting and reserving therefrom a certain tract of land sold by me to Packard and Lawton by my warranty deed dated December 12th, 1901, and also one other tract sold by me to Arthur F. Thayer by my warranty deed dated January 27th, 1903 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 654, Page 442."

Taxes of 1903,	$18 10
Taxes of 1904,	51.85

J. A. HAWKES,
Collector of Taxes for the Town of Palmer.

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Monson News.

Academy Notes.

Page, '08, who has been ill with the measles, is able to be out again.

Wednesday being Washington's birthday, school will be closed all day.

The basketball team plays Stafford high at the gym at 4:30 to-morrow afternoon.

Class of 1908 and 1907 played a tie game of basketball at the gym Tuesday afternoon; score, 10 to 10.

Prof. Dunfield was confined to his room at the Hall the first part of the week on account of an attack of the grippe.

The Lino will meet this evening with the following program: Reading, Frank Rees; declamation, Albert Young; news items, Henry Hall; debate, "That the Present Immigration to the United States is Advantageous Rather than Detrimental to the Country." Affirmative, Frank Holloway; negative, Harold Briggs.

Prof. Butterworth announced Tuesday morning that the following students have been chosen to take part in the annual prize speaking contest, to be held in Memorial Hall on the evening of March 10: Harry Oldfield, Francis J. McQuaid, Howard Page, Arthur Graves, John English, Miss Florence Crocker Miss Lucy Horton, Miss Margaret Kearns and Miss Louise Moore.

Manager Faulkner of the basketball team would like to hear from the Holyoke or Westfield managers in regard to arranging games. These teams have stated that they desired to arrange such games, but when given an opportunity have been found wanting. Manager Faulkner states that if Holyoke, Westfield or any other high school team with a creditable record wishes to play Monson, please notify him and they will be given a date.

Court of Foresters Organized.

A court of Foresters of America was organized at a meeting in Workman hall Monday evening and the following officers were elected: J. P. C R., Frank O'Connell; C. R., William S. Hughes; S C R, John P. McCarthy; treasurer, James Burdick; F. S., Arthur Royce; R. S., James Donohue; S. W., Eugene E Hodge; J.W., Fred Sullivan; S. B., George C Dosch; J. B., Walter E. Drain; L, E. J. Hughes; trustees, T. F. Foley, R. S. Hughes, Patrick Duffy; physician, Dr. R. E. Camfill. The installation will be held in Memorial Hall, Feb 20th, when Grand Chief Ranger E. B. O'Brien of Lynn and the officers of the Grand Court of Foresters of America will be present.

Was Seriously Injured.

Charles J. Hanson, who is employed in the Ellis woolen mill, was seriously injured while at work yesterday morning. About 9 30 Mr. Hanson, who runs the steaming machine, was at work on a ladder trying to start a fan which clears the steam from the room. In some way his coat was caught on the belt and he was hurled around it several times before he dropped to the floor. His clothes were badly torn and cut. Dr. Fuller was summoned and carried the injured man to his home on Hampden avenue. Dr. Camfil was called later and it was found that two ribs were broken and internal injuries are feared.

Rev. N. M. Pratt has been spending the week in Boston.

John C. Maguire visited friends in Boston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lancey are spending a few days in Boston.

Lewis Miller has been ill at his home on Granite street this week.

Dr. J. P. Rand of Worcester visited friends here Wednesday.

H. E. Newton spent Tuesday and Wednesday down on the cape.

Day Spring lodge of Masons held their regular meeting Tuesday night.

E. P. Hynes has sold to John Savage two building lots on "Fair View."

Miss Ethel Shaw spent Sunday with her brother, A. E. Shaw at Springfield.

Edward Squiers of Moulton Hill lost a valuable horse from colic Wednesday.

The Current Events Club met this afternoon with Mrs. J. C. Parsons on Harrison avenue.

Miss Louise Moore entertained a party of friends at her home on Flynt avenue Friday evening.

The Fortnightly Club will meet Monday night with Mrs. E. E. Thompson on Lincoln street.

Richard F. Beckwith was called to Rockville, Ct., Monday to attend the funeral of a relative.

The New England Telephone company have strung a new cable from Flynt's store to the turnout.

The Century Club will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. F. E. Fairbank on Pleasant street.

Miss Grace Rathbun of Springfield spent the first of the week with relatives on Harrison avenue.

Orcutt's orchestra is furnishing music for the production of "Parada" in Webster four days this week.

Omer E. Bradway, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is convalescing and is able to sit up.

James Bowler has been ill with a severe cold this week and his position has been filled by John Bowler.

Mrs. F. R. Tryon of Springfield visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. O'Brien on Main street this week.

John P. McCarthy and Patrick Crowley are planning to open a law office for the purpose of collecting poor bills.

John Broadfoot, assistant agent at the Central Vermont depot, spent Tuesday with friends at New London, Ct.

Mrs. F. A. Bill and Mrs. Sarah Warren were in Boston this week as delegates to the Relief Corps state convention.

D D G. M. James Burdick and suite installed the officers of Indian Orchard lodge, A. O. U. W., last evening.

Dr. J P. Rand's Worcester address is 820 Main street, should any of his friends desire to communicate with him.

The King's Daughters served a chicken-pie dinner in the Methodist church Tuesday noon, which was well attended.

A dog owned by Mrs. T. Gallivan of Washington street was killed by a freight train near the depot Wednesday morning.

Miss Evelyn Doremth and Miss Ida Hathaway of Springfield have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gath on Bridge street.

"The parable of the rich man and Lazarus" will be the subject of the discourse at the Universalist church Sunday morning.

"Strength made perfect in weakness," will be the subject of the sermon by Rev. N. M. Pratt at the Congregational church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Henry A. King and Mrs. Carrie King and Mrs Rufus Flynt of Springfield were guests of Mrs. W. N. Flynt on High street Wednesday.

A case of scarlet fever has been reported in the family of Lewis Shepard on the green and the house has been quarantined by the board of health.

The C. G. N. club gave a masquerade party at the home of the Misses Sava and Hattie Partello on Highland avenue Tuesday evening, there being about 20 present.

A. Coney of Ware has bought a large woodlot at North Monson of E. V Matthews of Hoboken, N. J, formerly owner of the Fosket farm, now owned by Dr Ingraham.

Frank Reese was surprised at his home on Main street Wednesday evening by a party of his friends who presented him with a handsome gold watch fob. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church will have a sleigh ride to Bondsville this evening and will have a supper at the Bondsville Methodist church. The party will leave Monson at 6 o'clock.

Out of town parties have been looking over the property at the corner of Main street and Harrison avenue, owned by T. Grady of Stafford Springs, with a view of opening a bakery, fish and meat market.

Henry E. Newton has leased the hotel Avery in Wood's Hole, Falmouth, and will take possession April 1st. The hotel has 28 rooms and has been newly painted, papered and furnished, and is considered a very desirable place.

George A. Harvey has a pen of 11 buff Plymouth Rock pullets that laid in the month of January 276 eggs, an average of 25 eggs per hen. Mr. Harvey thinks this beats the egg records from East Longmeadow and Springfield.

Principal James F. Butterworth attended a monthly meeting of the headmasters' club at Northampton Saturday, and enjoyed the distinction of being the only member to vote against the strict athletic rules, this question being discussed at the meeting.

A farmers' meeting will be held in the Silver Street chapel Tuesday afternoon at 1 30, to which a cordial invitation is extended to all interested. Among the speakers expected will be Mr. S. H. Reed of West Brookfield. This is the first of a series of these meetings which are planned to be held in the future.

The news that Cushman's brick mill will start in a short time was resumed early this week with much pleasure, as the mill has been idle for several months. A. A. Langewald, who is a competent woolen manufacturer, has been engaged as superintendent. This mill when running full time employs from 75 to 100 hands and will be a great help to the business in the town.

A very pleasant whist party of 13 tables was held at the Quaboag Country Club house Tuesday evening. The hostesses were Miss Alice Morris and Mrs. A. J. Purinton. The first prizes were won by Miss Cooke and R. D Tucker; the second prizes by Miss Maud Aldrich and E. E. Thompson, and the consolation prizes by Louis Brainerd and Mrs. E B. Potter.

Mrs. Mary Carberry, 90, died Sunday morning at the home of her nephew, John McKenna on Bridge street, of heart failure and old age. She was a native of Ireland and had lived in Monson for some little time. She leaves two sons, Frank of Providence, R. I., and Alexander of Norwich, Ct The funeral was held from St. Patrick's church Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock and the body was taken to Norwich, Ct., for burial.

The valentine party held in Memorial Hall last Friday evening was a decided success in every way. It was first planned to hold it in the Sunday school building on Green street, but so many wished to attend that it was held in Memorial Hall instead. The prizes for the best makeup in valentine costume were given to Miss Hattie Gough and Charles McDonald, although there were several other good makeups. Music was furnished by Orcutt's orchestra. There were about 60 couples present.

The Men's Club of the Congregational church held a regular meeting in the church parlors Monday night, and listened to a very interesting and instructive address on "Gettysburg," by Fred Wilder Cross of Palmer. Mr. Cross's lecture was illustrated by a number of maps and drawings, which were taken by him while on a trip made to the field of battle in 1903, and gave a clear and concise idea of the three days' battle, which could not be given in any other way. He showed a number of relics which he obtained while on this trip, including a sword dug up on the field, bullets, pieces of shells, etc Members of the Grand Army post were invited to be present, and several of them attended. The usual lunch and social hour followed the speaking. One new member was voted into the club.

The 7 20 electric car Monday night brought word to Monson that the C. H. Davis house on the Palmer road was on fire. In a short time the news spread about town and several from here drove to the place, only to find everything all right and no sign of fire. Later it was learned that there had been a small blaze in one room caused by a leaky oil heater, this being the light seen by the people on the electric car, who gave the alarm. The heater was thrown out of doors and only slight damage was done. The fire department was notified, but as the place was such a distance from the village and there being no hydrants nearby, they did not respond.

Miss Lucy B. Woodward, teacher of piano and organ, has opened a room in the bank block, where she will give lessons several days of each week.

WILBRAHAM.

H. J. Coburn has been spending a part of the week in Boston.

The Ladies' Social Union of the Methodist church held its annual business meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. R. Newhall. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. H. B. Davis; vice presidents, Mrs. W. R. Newhall, Mrs. A. L. Howe, Mrs. H. H. Yeames; secretary, Miss Elizabeth McGuire; treasurer, Mrs. H. A. Burke. The men of the Methodist church will serve a chicken-pie supper in the church parlors Wednesday evening.

BRIMFIELD.

A sleighing party of 24 from West Brookfield took supper at the hotel Saturday evening.

A party of seventeen young people attended the presentation of "Hiawatha" in the Wales Baptist church by Rev. A. T. Kepton of Fitchburg last week.

John L. Bacon has moved back to his old place in the Hollow, formerly owned by Austin Andrews, and Miss Clara Moulton has taken rooms in the house of George A. Webster.

About 40 volumes have been purchased for the public library and about 70 volumes have been presented recently. These include 30 volumes of the novels of Anthony Trollope and 24 volumes of the "Historian's History of the World."

"Ladies' Night" will be observed by the local Grange next Tuesday evening. An old-fashioned supper will be served and there will be exercises afterwards. A moderate sum for admission and for the supper will be charged and the meeting will be open to all.

BELCHERTOWN.

The Republican town caucus will be held next Tuesday.

Alvertus Morse has sold his farm to Jewell B. Knight.

Mrs. H. D. S. Longley has returned from a two-weeks' visit in Boston.

Cyril Courtland of Springfield spent Sunday at his home in Belchertown.

Miss Brown of Brooklyn, N. Y, will spend the remainder of this month with Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Warren.

During the past year in Belchertown there have been 40 births, 38 deaths and 16 marriages. About two-thirds of the deaths have been people over 80, the eldest being 96.

Invitations have been issued to the annual concert and ball of Vernon lodge of Masons to be held next Tuesday night. Music will be furnished by the Philharmonic orchestra of Springfield.

The euchre club held a valentine party Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Dunbar, there being 14 tables. The prizes were awarded to Mrs. Ira Green White, Mrs. David Shumway, Mrs. A. F. Warner, Guy C. Allen Jr., Bert Fellows and Winslow Piper.

Mrs. Cornelia Dorman Williams observed her 84th birthday yesterday, and received a remembrance of flowers from friends in Framingham. Mrs. Willams is one of the two surviving members of the once large and prominent families of the late Rhoderick Dorman, Anson Dorman of Belchertown being the surviving brother.

WEST WARREN.

Death of George A. Barton.

George A. Barton, 74, died at his home on Main street Saturday night of old age. Mr. Barton was born in Millbury. At the age of seven his parents were dead and he came to Palmer to live with A. V. Blanchard. He received his education in the Palmer schools and after leaving school he learned the trade of scythe-making in the Blanchard shops. Mr. Barton went from Palmer to Millbury, where he stayed only a short time, going soon after to Worcester. From Worcester he went to West Warren, about 40 years ago, to work in the Whipple Bros. scythe shop. After several years there he went to the Crossman edge tool shop. About 20 years ago he started a meat market on Main street, which he conducted for four years. He then engaged in the grocery business in partnership with Oscar Holmes. About 13 years ago he again returned to Millbury to work and eight years later returned to West Warren, where he remained until his death. He was married twice. His first wife was Amelia R. Blair of Brookfield. They had three children, Eugene A. of Simsbury, Ct., George A. and Miss Jennie A. of Warren. His second wife was Mrs. Emily Willis of Stafford, Ct. The funeral was held from his late home Wednesday afternoon at 2 and burial was in Warren.

The engagement of Miss Louise Mayotte of Three Rivers and Frank Brodeur of this place is announced. The wedding will take place in St. Thomas's church next Monday.

Jacob Polanta was found in a half-frozen condition near his home on School street about 4 o'clock yesterday morning by Eusebe Pratt, who assisted him to his home. Polanta had apparently fallen into the snow and was unable to get up. He is now in a critical condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Hall received word from their daughter, Attie, 17, Tuesday that she was in Montville, Ct., and was married to Albert Lafayette, also of West Warren, with whom she left town the 3d. They were married in Worcester. The couple were seen at the depot on the morning of the 3d, and their intentions were suspected. Miss Hall's brother tried to persuade her to go home with him, but she would not and nothing further was heard from them until Mr. Hall received the letter Tuesday.

WARE.

The Golf Club will hold a dance in the town hall Tuesday night, and Brunelle & Canavan's orchestra will furnish music.

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A special meeting of Eden lodge of Masons will be held Monday night and the third degree will be worked on four candidates.

The loss of Frank Ruggles on his automobile shop, stock and machinery, all of which were destroyed by fire on the 5th, has been adjusted for $1762.

Patrick E. Grey and Everett W. Ingalls have been drawn as grand jurors for the session of the United States circuit court which opens in Boston on the 28th.

Miss Florence Snow has gone to Portland, Me., to attend a convention of Young Women's Christian Associations, and will read a paper before them on fencing.

Mrs. Ulric Mellen, 38, died at her home on Otis avenue Saturday afternoon after a two-weeks' illness. She leaves her husband and nine children. The funeral was held in Mt. Carmel church Monday morning and burial was in Mt. Carmel cemetery.

A song recital "Echoes from the Balkans" was given by Mrs. May Sleeper Ruggles, with Bulgarian sketches by Rev. W. W. Sleeper, for members of the Social Science Club at the home of Mrs. I. H. G. Gilbert this afternoon at 3 30 On Saturday afternoon at 3 30, March 4, the annual meeting and tea of the club will be held at the Mansion House parlors.

The J. T. Gallivan building company of Greeneville, N C., has been awarded the contract for the erection of a three-story brick building, to be used by the Otis company as a storehouse for cotton. It will be 125 by 80 feet in size and will be located near the other brick storehouse in the rear of the East-street schoolhouse, replacing the wooden sheds now used. Work will begin as soon as the frost is out of the ground in the spring.

The civil service commission announces that a special clerk-carrier examination will be held in the district court room Monday afternoon, the 27th. Appointments may follow if vacancies occur, and those who apply and pass will form the eligible list for both the registers of clerks and carriers who may be called upon to act. The age limit is 18 to 45 years, and male applicants must be at least four inches in height and weigh at least 125 pounds. All applications must be filled out and filed with the secretary at Boston before 4 p. m. on Thursday, the 23d.

School Recommendations.

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clearly who are now able to read distinctly. By this system, coupled with skillful teaching, the pupil is able to acquire the mechanics of reading in grades one, two and three, during which time is laid a foundation of fairy tales, folk lore, rhymes and standard literature which prepares the minds of the boys and girls to grapple with, appreciate and enjoy the best in literature as it is presented to them.

The introduction of the fire drill into the schools is noted and the good results obtained mentioned. Some of the rooms, containing 150 pupils, have been emptied in less than two minutes. These drills are required by the state board of education and their value has been demonstrated in Fall River and other cities where fires have occurred during school hours.

Place Names in England.

"Phonetic laziness" in the matter of place names is notorious in the north of England, writes a correspondent of the London Chronicle. Lancashire has a curt way of dealing with troublesome names. "After all," writes a correspondent, "there is an excuse for saying 'Oost'n' instead of Ulverstone in these days of stress and bustle, and life is too short to say 'Little Urswick' when you can make yourself understood more easily by 'Lilosik.' In Cumberland I once asked the way to Aspatria. The native didn't understand for some time, when it suddenly dawned upon him that I meant 'Spethry.' Difficulties of pronunciation, however, present themselves to the Londoner much nearer home than Cumberland. In Essex for instance, I once asked a laborer if he could give me some rough idea as to how far St. Osyth was from any known outpost of civilization. He was a most intelligent fellow, for he had scratched his head only four minutes when he exclaimed, 'Oh, you mean Toosy!' I supposed I did."

Tribute to "The Thunderer."

In 1841 the London Times was instrumental in detecting and bringing to the light of day a far reaching scheme to defraud by forgery not only English bankers, but many prominent bankers of Europe. In an action at law brought against the Times the jury found the charge technically true, and a verdict of 1 farthing damages was given, but the judges refused costs.

As there had been enormous subscriptions to reimburse the Times its costs were set on foot at the Mansion House and throughout Europe. A goodly sum was raised, but the Times firmly refused to handle any portion of it, and it was devoted to scholarships, bearing the name of the paper, to be held at Oxford, Cambridge and Christ's hospital, while marble tablets commemorating the event were set up in the Royal Exchange and the Times office, a notable tribute to straightforward English journalism.

Henry Clay's Father.

John Clay, the father of Henry Clay, the distinguished statesman, was not only a Baptist, but a Baptist preacher. He resided most of his life in what is known as "the slashes" of Hanover, and his farm, on which he lived for many years, is two or three miles from Ashland. Here his son Henry was born, and probably Porter Clay, who removed to Kentucky and became a distinguished Baptist minister. Robert B. Semple, in his "History of Virginia Baptists," says that the Black Creek Baptist church in Hanover county was originated by John Clay and that he was pastor of the Chickahominy church and did much missionary work in the region around.

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Annual Housekeepers' Sale.

As befits an event that comes but once a year, we put a great deal of time, thought and labor into the planning and preparations of this Sale. The buying for it began weeks ago—months, even—and for several weeks carload after carload of Enameled Ware, Tinware, Japanned Ware, Nickel-Plated Ware, Wooden Ware, Crockery and every kind of Housekeeping Supplies has been brought in and packed into our storerooms. Buying in such immense quantities as we do for this Sale manufacturers are glad to make extra concessions, and this, combined with the fact that we cut down our own regular margin of profit, enables us to present values that are possible at no other time. The reductions are not made on a few special items only, but include almost every article of the above lines that is used in Housekeeping.

These are all perfect, regularly made goods, of first quality—the same reliable kinds that we sell every day throughout the year. There are no "seconds" among them, no inferior goods. Every housekeeper who values economy will find it greatly to her interest to study the following price list, check off the things she needs, and come here to-day ready to profit by these extraordinary saving opportunities:

Wooden Ware

Wooden Frame Clothes Wringers	$1 83
Small Willow Clothes Baskets	44c
Medium Willow Clothes Baskets	49c
Large Willow Clothes Baskets	62c
Large Willow Clothes Hampers	95c
3-Hoop Water Pails	17c
Fiber Water Pails	24c
Large Size Clothes Frames	49c
Folding Ironing Tables	$1.05
5-foot Step Ladders	75c
Plain Handle Floor Brooms	18c
Medium Size Flour Buckets	18c
50-foot Clothes Line	10c
Medium Size Dish Mops	5c
Large Size Dish Mops	6c
Northern Queen Washboards	23c
Small Pail Wash Boards	10c
Wood Rolling Pins	9c
Twine Floor Mops	19c
Counter Brushes	19c
Yacht Mops, good size	29c

Wire Goods

Soap Brackets	7c
Pie Racks	9c
Soap Shakers	7c
Bowl Strainer	7c
Wire Handle Strainers, small size	4c
Wire Handle Strainers, medium size	5c
Wire Handle Strainers, large size	7c
Tea Strainers	3c
Sink Brushes	7c
Wire Handle Bowl Strainers	4c
Dish Drainers	8c
Dish Drainers	15c
Sink Strainers	11c
Wire Toasters	4c
Wire Toasters	7c
Wire Broilers	7c
Wire Broilers	10c
Potato Mashers	4c
Cake Coolers	10c
Vegetable Skimmers	3c
Glen Rock Flour Sifters	8c
Henni's Fruit Presses	17c
Dover Egg Beaters	5c

Japanned Ware

Steel Edge Dust Pans	10c
Good Japanned Dust Pans	5c
Foot Tubs, large size	24c
Folding Lunch Boxes, large size	21c
Decorated Bread Boxes, small size	25c
Decorated Bread Boxes, medium size	37c
Decorated Bread Boxes, large size	48c
Cuspidors, large size	10c
Japanned Trays, 18-inch	10c
Round Japanned Spice Boxes, set	21c
Sugar Boxes, 10-lb size	17c
Crumb Pan and Brush	25c
Tea and Coffee Canisters, 1-pound	7c
Tea and Coffee Canisters, 2-pound	10c
Chamber Pails, large size	25c
Cake Closets, medium size	87c
Cake Closets, large size	98c

Yellow Earthen Ware

Yellow Mixing Bowls, small size	5c
Yellow Mixing Bowls, medium size	10c
Yellow Mixing Bowls, large size	15c
Yellow Mixing Bowls, extra large size	23c

Gray Double=Coated Sterling Aluminum Enameled Ware.

Made from the best American Sheet Metal, and coated with ingredients of absolute purity, by the aluminum process, which besides filling the pores of the basal metal causes the enamel to adhere firmly. The fine finish of this ware is apparent on inspection, but its general superiority over the ordinary single-coated wares is more forcibly shown by the increased service which it gives. These prices cannot be matched at any other time.

1-quart Tea Pots	23c
1½-quart Tea and Coffee Pots	26c
2-quart Tea and Coffee Pots	30c
3 quart Tea and Coffee Pots	35c
4-quart Coffee Pots	38c
No. 8 Tea Kettles	68c
1-quart Lipped Sauce Pans	10c
1½-quart Lipped Sauce Pans	13c
2-quart Lipped Sauce Pans	15c
2½-quart Lipped Sauce Pans	18c
4-quart Lipped Sauce Pans	22c
5-quart Lipped Sauce Pans	25c
6-quart Lipped Sauce Pans	29c
1½-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	13c
2-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	15c
3-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	18c
5-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	25c
6-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	29c
8-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	35c
10-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	42c
12-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	49c
14-quart Lipped Preserving Kettles	62c
3-quart Dresden Kettles	25c
4-quart Dresden Kettles	31c
6-quart Dresden Kettles	38c
10-quart Dresden Kettles	62c
6-quart Dresden Sauce Pans	38c
6-quart Gotham Sauce Pots	37c
8 quart Gotham Sauce Pots	45c
10-quart Gotham Sauce Pots	62c
10-quart Dish Pans	37c
14-quart Dish Pans	45c
½-quart Pudding Pans	10c
1-quart Pudding Pans	10c
1½-quart Pudding Pans	10c
2-quart Pudding Pans	13c
3-quart Pudding Pans	15c
4-quart Pudding Pans	17c
6-quart Pudding Pans	21c
Medium Size Wash Basins	14c
Large Size Wash Basins	18c
Measuring Cups	10c
10-quart Water Pails	48c
12-quart Water Pails	62c
Drinking Cups	10c
Basting Spoons, 12-inch	7c
Basting Spoons, 14-inch	8c
Soap Dishes	10c
Pie Plates, 9-inch	10c
Pie Plates, 10-inch	10c
Ladles	10c
Cup Dippers	12c
2-quart Rice Boilers	55c
3-quart Rice Boilers	69c
Chambers	25c
Fry Pans	25c
Fry Pans	29c

White Semi=Porcelain Ware.

Through a big transaction by the Syndicate Trading Co. we are enabled to offer some most remarkable bargains in White Semi-Porcelain Ware. This lot consists of perfect goods, but we put them on sale at prices usually asked for second and third qualities. Note the following quotations:

Plates, 4-inch	3c
Plates, 6-inch	4c
Plates, 7-inch	5c
Plates, 8-inch	5c
Plates, 7-inch, deep	5c
Tea Cups and Saucers, with handles	5c
Coffee Cups and Saucers, with handles	7c
Bowls, large size	5c
Combinets, large size	79c
Platters, 6-inch	6c
Platters, 10-inch	14c
Platters, 12-inch	23c
Platters, 14-inch	33c
Platters, 16-inch	48c
Pitchers	8c
Pitchers	9c
Pitchers	10c
Pitchers	15c
Pitchers	21c
Pitchers	29c
Chambers, with covers	35c
Chambers, without covers	25c
Bowls and Pitchers, large size	79c
Mixing Bowls, small size	5c
Mixing Bowls, medium size	10c
Mixing Bowls, large size	15c
Mixing Bowls, extra large size	23c
Decorated Water Pitchers, 2-quart size	25c
Decorated Cake Plates	10c
Round White Nappies, 4-inch	5c
Round White Nappies, 5-inch	6c
Round White Nappies, 6-inch	8c
Round White Nappies, 7-inch	9c
Round White Nappies, 8-inch	14c
Round White Nappies, 9-inch	21c
Fruit Dishes, 4-inch	3c
Oval Bakers, 7-inch	9c
Oval Bakers, 8-inch	14c

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Tin Ware

2½-quart Retinned Sauce Pans	10c
3-quart Retinned Sauce Pans	10c
4-quart Retinned Sauce Pans	10c
5-quart Retinned Sauce Pans	12c
3-quart Retinned Preserve Kettles	10c
4-quart Retinned Preserve Kettles	10c
5-quart Retinned Preserve Kettles	12c
Retinned Wash Bowls, large size	8c
Egg Poachers	25c
Retinned Culinary Strainers	9c
Retinned Rinsing Pans, 14-quart	18c
Retinned Dish Pans, 10-quart	18c
Retinned Dish Pans, 14-quart	23c
Measuring Cups	3c
Pie Plates, 9-inch	3c
Jelly Cake Pans, 9-inch	3c
Slotted Cake Spoons	4c
Lipped Graduated Measures, 1-quart	8c
Dairy Pails, 14-quart	23c
Common Square Pans	4c
Bread Pans, medium size	4c
Bread Pans, large size	6c
Bread Pans, extra large	7c
Oblong Cake Pans, small size	4c
Oblong Cake Pans, large size	7c
Muffin Pans, 6 on sheet	8c
Corn Cake Pans, 6 on sheet	8c
Corn Cake Pans, 8 on sheet	10c
Muffin Cake Pans, 8 on sheet	10c
Galvanized Water Pails, 12-quart	18c
Galvanized Chamber Pails, medium size	27c
Galvanized Chamber Pails, large size	29c
Retinned Bread Raisers, 8-quart	39c
Retinned Bread Raisers, 10-quart	47c
Retinned Bread Raisers, 14-quart	55c
Sheet Iron Fry Pans, medium size	10c
Sheet Iron Fry Pans, large size	10c
Doughnut Cutters	3c
Biscuit Cutters	2c
Galvanized Oil Cans, 4-quart	15c
Suds Dippers, 3 quart	7c
Suds Dippers, 4-quart	10c
Long-Handled Dippers, 2-quart	9c
Milk Cans, 1-quart	7c
Milk Cans, 2-quart	10c
Dish Kettles, 5-quart	8c
Dish Kettles, 6-quart	10c
Dish Kettles, 10-quart	10c
Galvanized Ash Cans, with covers	$1.62
Colanders, large size	10c
Galvanized Coal Hods, medium size	24c
Charcoal-Tin Wash Boilers, copper bottom, No. 7	85c
Charcoal-Tin Wash Boilers, copper bottom, No. 8	95c
Charcoal-Tin Wash Boilers, copper bottom, No. 9	$1.05
Galvanized Garbage Pails, with covers, medium	55c
Galvanized Garbage Pails, with covers, large size	69c
Asbestos Stove Mats	3c

Nickel=plated Ware

All-Copper Tea Kettles, nickled, No. 8	69c
All-Copper Tea Kettles, nickled, No. 7	65c
All-Copper Tea and Coffee Pots, nickled, 3 pint	59c
All-Copper Tea and Coffee Pots, nickled, 4 pint	65c

Forbes & Wallace, Springfield.

A Queer People.

Herr Eberhard van Schkopp, who explored the interior of the Kameruns district in western Africa, gave an interesting account of the native tribe called the Bakoko. They are, he thought, of Semitic origin and, having lived in the Kameruns district only about 200 years, are called strangers by other natives. They govern by means of a "council of elders," whose duty it is to judge offenders guilty or guiltless. If guiltless they are set free. If guilty they are put to death, this being the only form of punishment known there.

According to the gravity of the crime, the manner of execution varies and may be "simple" or "complicated." "Simple" execution means being thrown to the crocodiles. "Complicated" execution consists of being fastened to a tree and left to be eaten by casual visitors, such as lions and tigers, or being tortured until death comes.

Cannibalism is practiced by the Bakokos, not because they especially care for the flavor of the meat, but because they feel that by eating every particle of an enemy they are subjecting him to the greatest indignity conceivable.

An Ancient Highland Custom.

In the western highlands of Scotland an ancient custom suggestive of the pre-Christian days is still in force. When a child is born all the old women of the neighborhood meet in the house and place a straw rope around the child's neck. At the same time they chant a curious charm, which is supposed to ward off fairies and evil spirits. So great an importance do the inhabitants attach to this ceremony that they believe it would be a "tempting of Providence" to neglect it. When any one dies the relatives dig the grave, taking the greatest possible care to remove every stone from the mold. Stones in the grave interfere, it is said, with the rest of the dead. Also they are particular to cut the turf which is to cover the mound in one piece, as otherwise they believe water would get into the grave and make the body uncomfortable.

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"No," said the Bishop's friend, as he related. "I'm not good enough, but if my wife gets there and the gates are shut so I can't get in she'll raise b——."—Cleveland Leader.

Of course it was some vinegar-visaged old bachelor who said that all women were eligible for membership in the painter's union.

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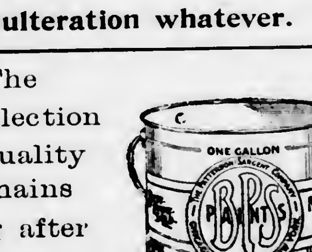

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"He am pow'rful po'ly like, Missus," answered the sable laundress. "He am done got de exclamatory roomertism."

"You mean the inflammatory rheumatism, Auntie," said the lady. "Exclamatory means to cry out."

"Deu I done said it right, Missus," rejoined the queen of the washboard, "foh he jes' hollers all de time."—Chicago News.

A Case of Pronouns.

Johnnie Mulligan, of the Seventh Grade, was absent from the class room for one entire day. It would appear that he had played truant, for unknown to Johnnie, his teacher had spied him trudging homeward with pockets bulging suspiciously when she, too, was homeward bound that afternoon.

But Johnnie brought a note of excuse the next morning, which, of course, would prove that he had been detained at home legitimately. The writing was hardly that of a feminine hand, and the note appeared to have been written laboriously and with much blotting; furthermore, the penmanship seemed strangely familiar to his teacher. The note read as follows:

"Dear teacher—Please excus Johny for not comeing to skool yestiddy, be cudnot come. I tore my pants. Mrs. Mulligan."—Sunday Magazine.

Husband—"Where do you want to go on a vacation?" Wife—"Oh, anywhere that's expensive and restless."—Life.

"Duck—"Whatever are you going to do with that ladder?" Drake—"Going to be best man at Mr. Ostrich's wedding, and I've got to kiss the bride—see?"—Jester.

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Mr. Bills—"Martha, I will not be home until very late to-night." Mrs. Bills—"Shall I leave a light for you?" Mr. Bills—"Yes, put it in the keyhole, please."—Chicago Journal.

Mother Gray's Appeal to Women.

If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble, and want a certain pleasant herb remedy for woman's ills, try Mother Gray's **Australian-Leaf.** It is a safe and never-failing monthly regulator. At Druggists or by mail, 50 cts. Sample package FREE. Address, The Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

"Are you really going to give your husband a table for his birthday?" "Yes; that is, it is a sewing machine that drops down when it isn't in use, so that the top may be used as a table."—Philadelphia Press.

The Only Survivor

of the Hayes Arctic Expedition, Mr. S. J. McCormick, now U. S. Deputy Mineral Surveyor, Bliss Station, Idaho, says: "For years I have suffered from severe pains in the hip joint and back bone, depriving me of all power. The cause was Stone in the Bladder and Gravel in the Kidneys. After using Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Rondout, N. Y., I was completely cured.

It is asserted by the London Globe that a methodical and business-like bank clerk in a country branch forwarded a letter to the following effect to the head office: "Greatly regret to inform you I died this morning of pneumonia. John Smith, per James Brown."

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They were skating on the new ice in the park. "Watch me make a figure 8," said Reggie. But his foot slipped, and he sat down violently. "Well," said Miss Tartan, as he scrambled to his feet, "you didn't make a figure 8, but you made a pretty good letter O."—Chicago Tribune.

This Will Interest Mothers.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, Break up Colds, Regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. *They never fail.* All Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Agnes—"Why don't you marry Clara? She's a dear little pearl." George—"That may be, but I am afraid of the mother-of-pearl."—Chips.

"But why do you want to get a divorce from your husband?" "My dear, I'm getting so tired of being all alone."—Fliegende Blaetter.

Merryman—"I always keep my wife provided with reading matter." Clubsky—"Any particular reason?" Merryman—"Yes. It keeps her amused so that when she sits up at night waiting for me to come home she doesn't care how late I stay out."—Detroit Free Press.

"Mrs. Chelius looks bad, doesn't she?" "Yes, and no wonder. She's been awake every night for a week past." "The ideal! What was the matter?" "She discovered about a week ago that her husband talks in his sleep and, of course, she had to listen."—Kansas City Independent.

The car was crowded to its full capacity and the two who had just entered were compelled to hold to the same strap. "We seem to be sentenced to hang," observed the maid. "Yes," whispered the young man as his fingers closed over hers. "Capital punishment."—Chicago Tribune.

Friends of Mrs. Lester Larimer of Ebensburg, Penn., have written President Roosevelt, calling his attention to his recent promise that he would give $1000 to the father of a family of seven sons born in succession. Mrs. Larimer recently gave birth to her seventh son, thereby winning the prize.

Louis Schoener, a farmer near Swedesboro, N. J., has an eight-months-old colt that has developed a freak appetite. The animal takes very kindly to bread and butter, is very fond of mashed potatoes and gravy, dotes on cakes and pies, revels in pickles, smacks its lips over sauerkraut and pigs' feet and takes coffee like a veteran.

WHICH?

By S. L. Tinsley

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"You are not going out in all this rain, are you, Betty?"

"Why not?" Betty turned around slowly and looked at her mother.

"Why not? Why, because it is pouring—simply pouring!"

"Well, what of it? I'm not afraid of rain." And the young lady clasped her gloves with a snap, unfastened her umbrella and tripped out beneath the dripping skies.

Hardly two squares had been covered when Betty saw a young man coming toward her. Jack Winslow bowed, smiled and stopped. Betty blushed.

"Why, really, Jack, what tempted you out to wade?"

"What tempted Miss Betty away from her chocolates and novels?"

"Mr. Elfland's new picture."

"Jove, that's just my excuse! Say we go together." Jack looked anxiously, wistfully, at his companion. Miss Betty blushed more deeply.

"Come along," said she. And together they walked down the street. Arriving at the art gallery, they hunted out the much talked of picture.

Several people were standing before it in silent admiration. The painting represented a room, seated in the foreground of which was the figure of a girl in a white gown. Her black hair was parted and arranged in soft, thick rolls on both sides of her fair, pale face. In her hand she held two roses, a red rose and a pink one. The troubled expression of her face told of perplexity. A question was to be solved, but the answer could not be found.

Betty clasped her hands with delight. "Oh," she cried, "how perfectly beautiful it is! Oh, Jack, isn't she—isn't she just perfect?"

The young man smiled down upon the enthusiastic girl at his side.

"She is beautiful, but not perfect."

"Why not?"

Betty opened her eyes wide with amazement.

"Because," continued the young man; "she might not to have any trouble in knowing whom she wants for her husband."

"Why not? One man might be rich and the other man poor. Don't you see the pink rose is small and pale, while the other rose is a full blown beauty of a rich velvety red.

Jack shook his head.

"Anyhow she should not hesitate for a moment. She should take the man she loves."

"And be poor and miserable all her life?" inquired Betty mischievously.

"Not miserable, but poor and happy, perfectly happy."

Jack Winslow was watching his companion's face. Betty laughed.

"Well," replied she, "perhaps you are right after all. Here comes Frank Carlyle."

A tall, slender young man walked leisurely up to Miss Betty's side, and, bowing slightly to Jack, he turned toward the picture.

"Well," remarked he after a moment's silence, "she is in a fix, isn't she? Pink or red; it's down to a choice of a favorite color, it seems to me."

"Not at all," replied Jack testily. "Which does she love best?"

"Well"—Frank elevated his brows as though surprised—"isn't that about what I said? She has a chance to select her favorite now, and why doesn't she do it without so much trouble?"

Betty, who had been silently admiring the picture during the conversation, now turned again toward her companions.

"She is a girl you know?"

"Yes," replied both of the young men at the same time.

"A girl," continued Betty, "has to wonder sometimes whether she knows her own mind or not. Here are two men. Both are kind and attentive to the girl. Both offer her the best that he has to give. Both pay her the highest compliment that a man can pay to a woman, for each one in turn asks her to be his wife. Here, on the one hand, are riches, a life with every wish granted, a mother and father made comfortable, and a husband who loves you. If she does not love him, she respects and admires him. On the other hand are a life of everlasting economy, a home where there may always be the necessities of life, but very few of the luxuries; a father and mother who must continue in their same circumstances, a little trip now and then when there chances to be an excursion, and a husband who loves you, who denies himself for you and whom you in your turn love. Which shall it be?"

Without a moment's hesitation both of the young men answered, "The man you love."

Betty was twisting the chain of her satchel around her finger. She laughed and shook her head when she heard the answer.

"Well, I see that you are both as yet at the romantic age."

"Are you?"

Frank Carlyle looked down into the fair, sweet face close beside him. Betty looked at Jack Winslow. He was frowning. Then, turning her face once more toward Frank and looking mischievously sideways at Jack, she said, "Who knows?"

Frank laughed and looked at his watch.

"Half past 4," said he. "Well, I must be off. If you were going," looking first at Betty, then at Jack, "why, it's so beastly unpleasant I thought perhaps I might give you a lift in the carriage." Jack declined with thanks. A deep dimple shadowed Betty's pink cheek for a moment. Then, looking demurely at Jack, she answered Frank's question.

"I would be ever so much obliged to you if you would just drop me at my door. Mother scolded because I came out, and it will appease her wrath somewhat to know that I came home without being touched by the rain."

Jack said nothing, but his face was very pale when Betty gave him her hand at the carriage door. Frank tried to coax him to change his mind, but Jack was firm, because Betty did not second the invitation. Just as the carriage door was about to be closed Betty leaned out.

"Oh, Mr. Winslow, I have decided to go to the Freeman dance Friday night." Then the carriage rolled away. When they arrived at Betty's home neither Frank Carlyle nor his companion saw the figure standing in the shadow of a tree on the opposite side of the street, and when Frank left Betty at the door and sprang again into his carriage Jack Winslow walked away with a sigh of relief.

"Anyway," murmured he, "she didn't ask him to come in."

Friday night and the Freeman ball came at last. Betty stood before her mirror looking at her reflection. The white mull gown, a gift from her aunt, who rarely gave her niece anything worth mentioning, was very becoming to the girl. She had arranged her hair after the style of Mr. Elfland's famous picture, and she smiled as she looked at the change it made in her appearance.

"If I weren't quite so pink and round I might look something like her, but she was pale and sad. Somehow I am not sad. I don't know why, but I feel happy, wonderfully happy."

Turning away from the mirror, she was just about to wrap herself in her cloak when her sister entered the room, carrying two narrow, white boxes. Betty dropped her cloak, took the boxes and, opening one of them, lifted out a deep, rich red rose, fresh and fragrant, proudly drooping its heavy head and filling the room with its odor. Betty examined the box, but there was no card. Laying the rose upon the table and turning to the other box, she lifted from its depths a long stemmed, half blown pink rose, delicate and yet wonderfully sweet. This rose was also without a card.

"How strange," murmured the girl, "that they should both have had the same idea!"

For a moment Betty stood silent. The two roses lay upon the table. Suddenly she heard her mother's voice calling to her that it was time to start. Wrapping her cloak about her, Betty turned and ran lightly down the stairs. A moment later the sound of carriage wheels rumbled along the street.

But the roses? There was only one rose now lying upon the table, only one, but its heavy perfume filled the whole room, and its heart glowed like a great ruby.

First European Almanac.

It is said that the first almanac printed in Europe was probably the Kalendarium Novum, by Regiomontanus. It was "calculated for the years 1475, 1494 and 1513." In Budapest it was published. Though it simply made mention of eclipses and the places of the planets for the respective years, it was sold for 10 crowns of gold, and the entire impression was rapidly disposed of in Hungary, Germany, Italy, England and France.

The first almanac recorded as the first known to have been printed in England was translated from the French and appeared in 1497. Each month introduces itself in descriptive verse, as:

Called I am Janeryere, the colde,
In Christmas season good fyre I love.
Yonge Jesu, that sometime Judas solde,
In me was circumcised for man's behove.
Three Kinges sought the sonne of God above;
They kneeled downe, dyd Him homage with love
To God, their Lorde, that is man's own brother.

And so on for the remaining months.

Not on Her Account.

Mary C., the six-year-old daughter of a Presbyterian clergyman in a small Georgia village, had a playmate, Jimmy by name, of whom it was her custom to make special mention in her evening prayer at her mother's knee. One evening, after some childish quarrel, Mrs. C. noticed that the boy's name was omitted from the petition and said, "Mary, aren't you going to pray for Jimmy tonight?"

"No, mother. He's a mean, hateful boy, and I'm never going to pray for him any more."

Her mother made no reply, not wishing to add fuel to the flame, and decided to allow the youthful conscience to work out the problem in its own way. In a few moments she heard the little girl climb out of bed, fall upon her knees and say in a tone of guarded indifference:

"God, you can bless Jimmy if you want to, but you needn't do it on my account."—Harper's Magazine.

A Muscular Minister.

A Kentucky senator tells of a good old Methodist minister in his state in the pioneer days who was a "muscular Christian."

"One day," says the senator, "after the parson had found it necessary to administer fistic punishment to several young toughs who persisted in disturbing the meeting at one of the churches which he served, one of his flock, noted as something of a hard hitter himself, got up in meeting and said:

"'It is a solemn duty of this here congregation to stand by Parson Johnson. He does not seek trouble, but he will not show the white feather when trouble is forced in his way. I believe that, unrestrained by divine grace, Parson Johnson can whip any man in Kentucky. The Lord is with him. Let us pray.'"

Penalties of Progress.

It would almost seem as if nature resents any departure from the original mode of progression. When men rode much they developed bow legs and a jockey walk. When they took to the bicycle they put on the cycling hump and grew elongated feet. When the motor came in it modified the bicycle hump and gave us a lesser stoop, a craned neck and the motor glare.

If you will have a man well set up, normally developed and erect, as Providence intended him to be, you must bring him up on walking exercise, not, of course, the dawdling slouch of the lazy loafer, but the spirited walk of the healthy human who treads the earth as if he owned it. Here you have at hand one means of avoiding some of the penalties of progress.—London Tatler.

Alleged Origin of "Uncle Sam."

A curious version of the origin of "Uncle Sam" has been discovered in an old almanac published in Lesangton, Ky., in 1814. The phrase is explained in the following words: "Uncle Sam is a cant phrase significant of the United States, as John Bull is significant of England. The origin of it seems to be this: In the year 1807 there was authorized by law the raising of a regiment of light dragoons. When the company first appeared their caps bore the letters U. S. L. D., signifying the United States Light Dragoons. A countryman, seeing the company in dress parade, asked a bystander what the letters stood for. 'Why,' was the answer, 'that means Uncle Sam's Lazy Dogs.' Since that time the use of the term has become general."—London Chronicle.

What a Hen Can Learn.

When a boy I had a fat, lively hen so educated that at my bidding she would lie on her back and slide head first down an inclined plane two or three feet in length without the slightest effort to turn upright or stop herself, and at the bottom she would remain just as she landed until I touched her or spoke to her unless interfered with by some other person or animal. Incredible as this may seem, it is a trick easily taught any gentle, affectionate hen.—L. R. Morphew in Forest and Stream.

Why It Is Pleasant.

"Old Hunks is one of the cranklest and most disagreeable men I ever met, but they say he has a delightful home."

"Well, it's true. He spends three-fourths of his time away from it."—Exchange.

Rexall Medical News

Catarrh

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A western stagecoach in which were six men of us had been held up by a single robber and all of us plundered. When he had finished his work, he nodded for the other five victims to get into the vehicle, but for me to remain behind. When the stage had passed on, he said to me:

"Thompson, I am not a bad fellow unless you kick against my game. Just knuckle to circumstances and we'll get along all right. You take the guns, and I'll carry the sack. Turn in by that rock and keep to the west."

"What's your object in holding me prisoner?" I asked as I picked up the weapons.

"Oh, I've got three or four objects. In the first place, I want about $5,000 as a ransom. Going to play Greek brigand, you see. In the next, I'm confounded lonesome up here and want some one to talk to. Thirdly, I may induce you to go into partnership in this holdup business. There's both fun and profit in it."

We made our way through the brush for a mile or more and then came upon his camp, which was under the overhanging of a great rock. There were blankets and cooking utensils scattered about, and as I stood looking around he turned to me with:

"That was a lucky find you made last fall, Mr. Thompson."

"You have referred to me as Thompson several times," I replied, "but that is a long way from being my name."

"No? I beg to differ with you. I saw you at Diamond City three months ago and am sure I am not mistaken."

"If I'm Thompson, what am I worth to you in dollars and cents?"

"All of $5,000 and would be only a trifle to you."

"Well, you've got left on the Thompson business. I may resemble him, but he's in Boise City at this very date. Look into my wallet and you'll find cards and letters to prove what I say."

He looked at me very steadily for a minute and then went over to the mail sack, into which he had dumped everything. When he got at my wallet he found plenty of proofs that I was some one else besides Thompson. He was put out for a moment, and then he turned to me and held out his hand and said:

"Beg pardon for my error, Mr. Blank. I see that you are in the newspaper business. No man has a greater respect for the press than I have. If I hadn't turned robber, I should probably have become an editor. I have made a mistake. Tell me how I can square myself."

"By giving me back my money and putting me on the road to Silver City."

"Here is your money, but the hour is late, and you will have to remain here all night. You shall be guided out to the road as soon as we have had breakfast."

He had some good cigars, and as we smoked we fell into a general conversation, and I found him a well educated and entertaining man. It was easy to see that he had been born in some other station, and I judged he was in the business more for excitement than profit. When he finally asked me how I would like to go pards with him in the holdup profession, I answered:

"I can't say that it strikes me favorably. You are not only liable to be shot down like a wild beast at any time, but you can have no enjoyment of your plunder. Nothing is more certain than that you will be killed or captured and hung if you keep at it long enough."

"Well, don't decide offhand, but think it over. There are some drawbacks, of course, but they don't count as against the excitement of the life. After the first adventure I think you'd like it. It's time to turn in, and I wish you good night."

It was long after midnight before I dozed off, and I was awake again at the first signs of daylight. I had no fear of the robber, and he none of me. I could have killed or captured him with ease, but I don't believe he had the least mistrust of me. He turned out soon after I did, and while we were eating the breakfast he had deftly prepared he said:

"I like the idea of your going pards with me. What do you say to it?"

I made the same argument as before, but added that I was in business in a legitimate way and should want three months to make a change, even if favorably impressed. I could see that he was disappointed, and in my turn I asked:

"Suppose we become pards the other way? You give this business the shake and take an interest in a mine I have at Bannock City?"

"It's too late for that," he answered, trying to laugh in a careless way, but making poor work of it. "As I have sowed, so must I reap. Thanks for your kind interest, however, and now we'll be moving."

He returned me my revolver and made me a present of another. When he had buckled on a pair we climbed out of the gulch. We walked over a wild, rough country for nearly an hour, and then he finally stopped and said:

"The stage road is right down there, not ten rods away, and you turn to the right. I am sorry for my blunder of yesterday and hope it has not inconvenienced you. I have given you a square deal, and, on the other hand, I have been entertained by your company. Good day and goodby."

We shook hands and separated. Three months later we met again—that is, I saw his dead body lashed across the back of a mule. He had been hunted down by a sheriff's posse and had a bullet in his brain.

M. QUAD.

Mistaken.

Jack—I thought that the author of this book was famous for his keen understanding of women. Jane—Well, do you doubt it? Jack—Of course. He says that the heroine suffered in silence.—Kansas City Independent.

Rapid.

"They say that he has a past," said Miss Primly, and there was awe in her voice. "Well," said Miss Speedson, "if he has one he's going so fast now that it will never overtake him."—Exchange.

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Our Legislative Letter

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One of the infelicities which Gov. Douglas has had to encounter has been the opposition of the labor men to his recommendation that industrial schools be established for the benefit of young persons who want to become skilled in their employment. But he is getting support on his side. Monday evening the Brockton board of trade adopted resolutions in support of his plan, and to-night a conference is scheduled to occur at the Exchange Club on Battery-march street at which such capitalists as William B. Rice, the head of the leather business, will talk over the matter with representatives of the labor interest. Evidently there must be some sense in the governor's proposition, or the labor men have changed their ground unaccountably since they supported so cordially the propositions for textile schools in Lowell and New Bedford. Yet the latter were for the precise purpose of developing the labor side of our textile industry and making it as skilled as possible at the expense of the entire state.

Aside from this, the governor continues the even tenor of his way. He has adopted the practice of some of his Republican predecessors of visiting state institutions without sending word that he is coming. By this means he prevents the management from making special preparation for him and putting on a better front than usual. He takes them just as they are and so they must always be ready to run the risk of being caught when everything is not in apple-pie order. His first visit was with Private Secretary Buchanan to the Sherburne prison for women. Mr. Buchanan is very careful not to drop any hint of where they will light at the end of their next flight from the city. The governor's policy is to make his a distinctly business administration.

People seem to like the state policy of setting aside as state reservation the peculiar tracts which become popular resorts, whether they are mountain or seashore. This year a new project has appeared, that of taking Mount Sugar Loaf in Deerfield. People in Franklin country are pretty strong for it. Senator Gerrett has appeared for it before the committee on harbors and public lands and George Sheldon, the antiquarian of the region, brought his venerable presence to the hearing to approve the movement. The plan is not nearly as large as either Mount Greylock, Mount Tom, Blue Hills, Wachusett, Nantasket Beach or Revere Beach, in each of which cases the state has established a precedent, for the mountain is only 600 feet above sea level and it is proposed to take only 100 acres of land, and to appropriate not more than $10 000. But the mountain is so picturesque and so much visited that all who are familiar with the place will see the fairness of doing here what has been done in the other places. But it remains to be seen whether a plan which can wait, involving $10,000, will not be put off for a more favorable time, or, at least, until the people have become more accustomed to paying higher state taxes.

Lieut. Gov. Guild's declaration at the Middlesex club's Lincoln dinner Monday night that his ambition will be subject to the good of the party, that he will not push his claim for the nomination for governor, nor will he run away from the nomination, means that he will not work as he worked for the second place against Bates. But, as far as the party goes, it makes little difference, for, of course, the managers would not recognize the claims of any man to the nomination or to make his personality count against the welfare of the party. Guild is, by public statement, a candidate for the nomination and only asks that a better runner than he be found.

Quite a demonstration was made by representatives from the western counties against the petitions that the civil service law be extended to county employees. Representatives of the Massachusetts civil service commission came before the committee and made out a strong case why the extension should be tried, and they had the support of the civil service commission. But the western people had no difficulty in proving that their local administrations were honest and efficient and that there was no ground for a change. This led the committee on public service to report unanimously against the petitions and the adverse report has been accepted. Yet there was reason for the petitions and if conditions were in the west what they have become in Boston, the change would be demanded. When women clerks are employed for other reason than their ability in the service, then it is time that the merit system should be established. It was satisfactory proof of such a situation which led to the movement for a change. If the proposed constitutional amendment to have registers of deeds and probate and some other elective officials made appointive is adopted, then this evil can be reached, for an official who could get the indorsement of the governor and council might be relied upon to be decent in office.

Sportsmen will be interested in the extension for Mongolian and English pheasants which was rushed through under suspension of the rules. By some failure to grasp the situation originally, the close season expired Monday. But the birds have not reached the state where they ought to become promiscuous game, and the situation was discovered in time to put through a bill this week under suspension of the rules which will give them protection till 1907, up to the beginning of the open season for partridges and quail. These pheasants are expected to yield fine shooting by and by for the pleasure of those who find pleasure in killing helpless and handsome creatures.

The committee on agriculture finished its hearings on the gypsy moth to-day. There was plenty of material for prolonging the hearings, but the committee felt that they had covered sufficient ground to make out a case for action and that all the necessary advice had been received. There have been propositions submitted to have all of the expense put upon the cities and towns in the infested district, but practical men, who know something of the enormous cost involved and the necessity of thorough work, say that such a proposition will not be considered for a minute. There is, too, the idea that parasites can be made to do the work, but the objection to them is that they need several years before they can do anything, even if they could do it finally, whereas much must be done this year to hold the scourge in check. There seems to be no doubt that some sort of bill for suppression of the moths will be reported and will be passed in some form.

Yesterday and to-day the House has been engaged in the task of defeating a bill to have local authorities, instead of the state board of pharmacy, issue druggist's liquor licenses. Yesterday, after a hot debate, the bill was carried by 91 to 93. To-day, after further argument of a strenuous sort, the House voted not to pass the bill to be engrossed by 81 to 97 and 12 pairs. One of the queer facts brought out was that the chairman of the board, who lives in Weymouth, Mr. Hoyt, sells liquor under such a license, though he has no license to do so, but does it by an arrangement with the selectmen. The board was rapped pretty severely. Mr. Barnes of Weymouth defended his constituent as a man of good character and did all he could to defeat the bill. Mr. Schofield of Ipswich was one of the strongest supporters of the bill, and Mr. Birch of Milford, in charge of it, did finely for a new member.

The House, this afternoon, adopted a rule which it has had for the last three or four years, to limit speeches to ten minutes each after allowing the opening speaker on each side 20 minutes. This is one of the rules which do nothing to promote the dispatch of business and tend to injure the business of the House. In the first place, no member will prepare himself as carefully for a speech of ten minutes as he would if he knew that he would not be shut off at that limit. The tendency of the rule is to make the debates more fragmentary, desultory and unsatisfactory. Argument is not as well presented, nor is the end of debate any sooner reached. A few years ago the proposition to put on such a rule was defeated by an overwhelming majority, largely under the lead of the late Edward L. Pierce of Milton, father of Representative Pierce of this year.

The picketing bill has called out strong opposition from the business men and equally strong support from the working men. The latter demand the right to talk with substitutes for strikers who have been put at work, while the employers argue that to give such liberty results in assaults and perhaps death to the working substitutes. The labor side has been defeated several years in succession and there is no sign that they will be any more successful this year.

The automobilists want very much that there be a system of licenses which will permit them to run at high speed on some roads while the speed on other roads be reduced. But the local authorities do not approve this proposition and thus far the high speed men have not been able to own the Legislature. There is evidently a contest ahead over the measure. LANDON

Startling But True.

People the world over were horrified on learning of the burning of a Chicago theater in which nearly six hundred people lost their lives, yet more than five times this number or over 3000 people died from pneumonia in Chicago during the same year, with scarcely a passing notice. Every one of these cases of pneumonia resulted from a cold and could have been prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. A great many who had every reason to fear pneumonia have warded it off by the prompt use of this remedy. The following is an instance of this sort: "Too much cannot be said in favor of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and especially for colds and influenza. I know that it cured my daughter, Laura, of a severe cold, and I believe saved her life when she was threatened with pneumonia." W. D. Wilcox, Logan, New York. Sold by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

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Recently Employed in Ware; Left There Last Friday and Cannot Be Found.

The police of this vicinity are attempting to find some trace of Daniel Stone, a young man who was at one time employed as porter in the Mansion House in Ware, and who has been engaged in some irregular proceedings during the past week.

Stone hired a team in Warren one day last week and drove to Thorndike, where he left the team at Loftus's livery stable. Last Friday morning he came to Palmer and hired another team of D. E. Marcy. This team he drove to Gilbertville and sold to John P. Day, a dealer in horses and cattle, who lives in Hardwick Center. Stone received $65 for the team and $15 was given to a young man in Gilbertville for assistance in making the trade, it is supposed. Mr. Day drove Stone back to Ware, and before Friday night most of the money had been expended for various purchases. Stone confided to some of his acquaintances with whom he spent a part of the day that he had earned the money by working in West Warren on a woodlot, and he also stated that he was going to Canada.

In the meanwhile Mr. Marcy learned that his team was not in Belchertown, where it was hired to go, and he started for Ware, where he learned what had become of his property. He at once proceeded to Hardwick, accompanied by Fred Dutilly, and reclaimed his horse and sleigh. Prior to starting for Gilbertville Mr. Dutilly swore out a complaint for drunkenness against Stone and in the absence of Chief of Police Maurice Filzgerald, Deputy Sheriff F. J. Browning instituted a search for clews as to Stone's movements. It was discovered that Stone had left Ware Friday night about 8.15, but no further trace of him could be found. Stone is wanted by the police in Palmer and Warren, for the principal crime charged to him was committed in Hampden and Worcester counties, and out of the jurisdiction of the court in Ware.

TWO FIRES AT WARE.

Although Neither of Them Amounted to Much of a Blaze.

The Ware fire department still continues to be kept busy, and Saturday evening were called out twice, although neither alarm was necessary. At 6.30 someone became frightened because a chimney on the south end of the tenement block owned by the heirs of J H. Storrs and located on North street appeared to be on fire and rung in an alarm. The firemen found the chimney hardly warm and a recall was sounded at once. About 8 an alarm was sonnded from the box at the corner of Bank street and Park avenue and the firemen hauled the apparatus up Bank street as far as the entrance to the Young Men's Union Hall and then back again. Two pairs of lace curtains were burned in the two front windows next to this entrance, in the old Music Hall block, that is owned by David Jennison of Enfield. These windows are in the rooms used by the proprietors of the Hampshire House for a sample room for drummers, and on Sundays as a lunch-room. Nothing else was burned and the origin of the fire is mysterious. The windows are separated by the doorway extending into the room, and one pair of curtains was burned several minutes before the other pair blazed up. The fire was extinguished before the firemen arrived and the alarm was rung in by someone who was passing by and saw the blaze. Fire Inspector G F. Crittendon of Northampton was in Ware Monday to make an investigation, but failed to determine the cause of the fire satisfactorily.

Sunday night the occupants of the Harrison block on Water street had a narrow escape from being burned out, and but for the prompt discovery of the fire the result would undoubtedly have been serious. A lamp which had been *left lighted in the* dining room of the tenement occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel P. Griffin exploded between 12 and 1. The flames crept around the room, making so hot a blaze that the silverware on the table was badly melted. The falling of a picture which hung on the wall awoke Mrs. Griffin, and her husband, aided by D. F. Shea, succeeded in putting the fire out without ringing in an alarm. The damage, aside from smoke, was confined to the one room in which the fire started. Mr. Griffin estimates his loss at $100, covered by insurance.

Death of Prominent Ludlow Man.

Albert H. Halford, 53, died at his home in Ludlow last Friday morning after a week's illness with pneumonia. His sudden death came as a shock to his many friends, as he had always enjoyed the best of health. Mr. Halford was born in England, but came to this country when a boy with his parents, who settled in East Hampton. He was employed in the silk mills after his school days, and later moved to Haydenville, where he learned the plumbing trade. Later he moved to Springfield and from there went to Indian Orchard, where he was in business with George Miller. This partnership was dissolved, and in 1881 Mr. Halford opened a general hardware and furniture store near the Athol depot in Ludlow, which he had since successfully conducted. He had always been identified with the town's interests, but would not accept any office until a few years ago, when he consented to fill a vacancy in the school board. He was for a number of years deacon in the Union church, and during the past fall and winter had taken an active interest in the new Methodist church. He is survived by a widow, one son, A. Leroy, and one daughter, Gertrude B. The funeral was held in the new Methodist church Sunday afternoon, Rev. Putnam Webber officiating, and burial was in Island Pond cemetery.

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WITH MRS. JULIA WARD HOWE.

Her Interesting Personality Depicted by One Who Has Heard Her.

Within the year I have been so fortunate as to hear Mrs. Julia Ward Howe three times; once at the Peace Convention, once in the small Brooke House parlor, and lastly at Boston University.

Although now eighty-five years old she still retains her powers of memory and of voice, but her eyes show signs of weakness. As she rose on the college platform to read her paper she had to step back under the light. The dear, white-haired old lady makes a very charming picture, nowhere more pleasing than in the little room at Brooke House. There, seated in a chair near to her audience, she talked to us as to a single friend as if it were no burden, not a lecture but a pleasure to converse with us. She may have seemed grander when she stood on the platform in Park Street church at the Peace Convention, amid the other great women of our day, as she told of her struggle and desire to advance the peace movement and to arouse public sentiment in favor of settling international disputes by arbitration, but there she was too far away and she was talking to the many. At the University she spoke on nearly the same line as at Brooke House, but confined herself to a topic, "Patriotism in Literature." At Brooke House she told us not merely of the great authors she had known, but of Lucy Stone, of John Brown and others prominent in both the woman suffrage and the anti-slavery movement. She recited several of her own poems and it was then that her eyes grew brighter, her face glowed, and as she lifted her hand expressively we caught the beauty of her spirit and all the time she was so near us we could feel ourselves lifted as it were to her plane. By coming in contact with her personality our lives became enriched.

Only at Brooke House did she speak without a manuscript. She had a few notes on a slip of paper to which however she referred only once, remarking, as she did so, "Let me see what more I can tell you?" As she told of Emerson, Longfellow, Whittier, Lucy Stone, John Brown, Lowell, Dr. Holmes and others it was as if a neighbor having conversed intimately with some friend were telling you all about them. Before she heard Lucy Stone, the great promoter of the woman suffrage movement, she had had an impression, so she told us, that she would not like Lucy. She had a strong prejudice against anyone who spoke on "Woman's Rights." She did not think women wanted to vote, but after she had listened to Lucy she agreed with her and at once said to her, "We must work together." She has been working in the interests of women ever since, getting as she says, "one little bill after another" put through and passed. "To-day," she said, "I see a great change in the attitude of women everywhere. They are interested and that means that much will be done."

She told of a visit Mr. Whittier made at her house. Dr. Howe was out. The guest was shy and silent. Mr. Whittier kept hitching his chair nearer the fireplace. When her husband came in she said to Dr. Howe, "My dear, if you had been a little later Mr. Whittier would surely have gone up the chimney."

In speaking of Mr. Garrison she quoted his remark, "Mrs Howe was a born president." Then she added slyly, "but I don't aspire to the White House." She told us how Emerson, in introducing Mr. Whittier to an audience, forgot the author's name. Someone had to lean forward and whisper it before he could go on. She spoke of her youth as the time of the Transcendentalists, of Emerson and "dear Mr. Longfellow," whom she first saw "as a girl in her father's house." She spoke of his bright blue eyes and blonde hair, his musical, manly voice, his simplicity and love of beauty—or a man cosmopolitan yet truly American." Not only is Mrs. Howe keen to see humor but quick to seize a moral lesson. When Mr. Longfellow was going by Fall River "my brother," she said, "urged him to take the stage out to Fall River museum and see the skeleton in armor, as it might give him an inspiration. He went and the result was the poem by that name. A short time later the museum was burned down;—the moral: Not to put things off."

In talking of Lowell she told how he returned some of her poetry with the remark "Women can't write poetry. All Mrs. Browning did was to prove the fact." Later however Mr. Lowell did accept her poetry. She spoke with special admiration of Lowell's lines, "Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne," and of "Sir Launfal."

In regard to Dr. Holmes she told how once, in an article when she says she was very young and when "she was rather saucy," she called him a funny little man. Dr. Holmes said he knew the writer of that was a woman and soon found out who. Of a later work which she meant to keep anonymous, Dr. Holmes said, "I know who is the author of that. I have felt the crack of her whip." Afterwards their relations were very cordial. According to Mrs. Howe they met on their way to a celebration of Bryant's sixtieth birthday, at which they were to read. Both said they must save their voices and planned to sit together and keep quiet. "You can imagine we did," she added quickly.

As she spoke of these great men and women we felt that she had many of the qualities she admired in others; that she had administrative ability, personal magnetism, a fine touch of humor, even the "power" of sarcasm, sweet simplicity, strong admiration of all that is morally grand, that above and beyond all her life had been spent in touch with humanity, using all her gifts in helping make our country a nobler and better one to live in. It is not her capabilities that linger in our memories, but it is her accomplishments, it is what she has done, nay, her very life lived for her country, for the mass.

WILHELMINA JACKSON.

Boston, February, 1905.

Pool.

A 2000 ball pool match has been arranged between teams representing Thorndike and Bondsville players. The first game will be played at the S. M. T. A. S. club rooms on Commercial street, Thorndike, Thursday evening.

No games have been played the past week in the pool contest between the S. M. T. A. S. and Independents of Thorndike. The games will be resumed however on Monday night as usual and will continue until the four remaining games are played.

The Thorndike and Bondsville pool match opened last night at the Temperance club rooms in Thorndike and resulted in a victory for the Bondsvilles by a score of 100 to 99. The game was close and interesting throughout, and was witnessed by a large audience.

George T. Ives has moved his family from the Woodard house on South Main street to the Rogers house near the car barn.

TOOK HORSE MEDICINE.

Monson Man Drank it for Cold And Dies From Effects.

SWALLOWED OUNCE OF FEVER DROPS

Had Taken It Before in Small Doses, and Did Not Realize His Danger.

Patrick E. McQuaid, 31, died at the home of his brother John in Monson Wednesday night from the effects of a large dose of Dr. Daniels' fever drops, a medicine made for horses. Dr. Camfill of Monson was called to attend him but arrived too late to be of any service.

McQuaid went to his home Wednesday night and went to bed complaining of feeling sick. Later he called his brother and he found him vomiting; Dr. Camfill was at once sent for. McQuaid told his brother that he had taken the medicine. He had procured it at the stable of Merrill Carew, where it was kept for horse use; he had taken it previously in small doses for colds, and had suffered no ill effects. Wednesday it appears that he took about an ounce, having no conception of the danger of so large a dose.

An investigation was made by Medical Examiner Schneider of Palmer, who learned the facts as above.

McQuaid leaves, besides his brother John, four sisters. The funeral was held this afternoon.

BOWLING.

Palmer 2694, Otis Company 2252.

Palmer won from the Otis company team of Ware by 442 pins on Tufts's alleys Monday night. The summary:

	Palmer.			
Keith,	224	213	173	610
Barrett,	170	124	156	450
Morrill,	210	161	184	555
Tufts,	174	179	166	519
Roche,	204	153	203	560
Total,	982	820	882	2694
	Otis Company.			
Robertson,	142	124	141	407
Orrell,	166	113	145	424
Moore,	158	134	144	436
McHenry,	150	157	212	519
McBride,	173	155	138	466
Total,	789	683	780	2252

Three Rivers 2536, Palmer 2421.

Three Rivers won the deciding game of a series of five from Palmer Tuesday evening on Tufts's alleys, making 14 points on the series to Palmer's seven. Frame was high man with 549, and Upham got 532. The summary:

	Three Rivers.			
Frame,	191	180	178	549
Lavene,	158	131	197	486
Trickett,	145	172	150	468
Upham,	171	187	174	532
Story,	160	189	152	501
Total,	825	860	851	2536
	Palmer.			
Keith,	145	155	155	455
Barrett,	155	150	182	487
Marr,	141	149	200	490
Tufts,	152	169	188	509
Roche,	168	182	132	481
Total,	761	805	855	2421

Thorndike Clerks 1088, Bondsville Clerks 1071.

The first of a series of five games between the Bondsville and Thorndike clubs was played on Tuesday evening at Bond's alleys in Thorndike and was won by the latter team by 17 pins. The following is the summary:

	Thorndike Clerks.			
Clark,	83	71	65	119
Sullivan,	66	72	73	211
Riley,	72	68	75	415
Robinson,	76	77	74	227
Arecotte,	69	77	70	216
Totals,	366	365	357	1088
	Bondsville Clerks.			
Bowler,	75	78	71	224
Sharratt,	68	67	68	203
Moore,	69	75	69	213
Sird,	65	62	85	212
Moriarty,	69	86	64	219
Totals,	346	368	357	1071

The second game will be played Wednesday night.

Ware Man Wins Pipe.

The roll-off on the big pins for the pipe offered by the proprietors of Amazeen's alleys at Ware was held Tuesday night, and six of the ten who qualified competed. A total of 514, made by E. E Orrell, took the pipe, with Gleason a close second with a total of 513. Gleason lost by missing a one-pin spare in the ninth box of his last string. The competitors and the scores made were as follows:

McHenry,	137	151	145	433
Orrell,	196	129	189	514
McBride,	149	139	166	454
Morgan,	116	148	122	386
Brown,	101	116	140	357
Gleason,	160	151	202	513

McCrea's 1857, Norton's 1763.

The first game of the newly-organized bowling league was played on Wednesday night between Norton's and McCrea's teams at Bond's alleys in Thorndike and resulted in a victory for McCrea's team by four points and 94 pins. McCrea was high man, making a total of 447. The following is the summary:

	McCrea's.			
Nephew,	121	89	91	301
Stone,	108	114	125	347
Tabor,	128	102	126	356
F. Longtine,	144	130	132	406
McCrea,	128	170	149	447
Totals,	629	605	613	1857
	Norton's.			
Gay,	124	128	117	369
Bressette,	95	66	108	269
Furkey,	160	114	105	379
Walker,	81	108	119	308
Norton,	138	151	149	438
Totals,	598	567	598	1763

Shophands 1806, Reed's 1756.

The Shophands and Reed's rollers, both of Three Rivers, bowled their second game at Bond's alley in Thorndike last night and the Reeds were defeated for the second time by a score of 1806 to 1756. The next and last game in the series between the two teams will be played next Thursday evening. The summary:

	Shophands.			
Mason,	106	130	92	338
Darling,	100	119	106	295
Dent,	112	106	117	396
Abare,	123	134	158	371
Burnett,	137	169	97	487
	578	658	570	1806
	Reeds.			
Barton,	96	109	98	303
Provo,	126	123	123	372
Reed,	110	99	136	345
Pendergast,	135	124	127	386
Paulin,	122	84	178	350
	589	539	628	1756

The first game in the series of three games between the Weavers and Spinners was played on Bond's alleys in Thorndike Monday evening and resulted in a victory for the former by 64 pins. The total score was: Weavers 1596, Spinners 1532. Donovan was captain of the Spinners and Laramary for the Weavers. The second in the series will be played next Monday night.

There is a movement on foot to organize a four-team candlepin league, one from each village of the town. Burnett will captain the Three Rivers team, Bowler for Bondsville, Robinson for Thorndike, Holden for Palmer. The matter will probably be arranged this week.

EXHIBITION OF ANTIQUES.

Interesting Showing of Historical Articles in Brimfield.

Washington's birthday was observed at the Brimfield public library by an exhibition of antiquities, including historical articles and documents, which was visited by nearly a hundred people, including pupils of the Academy and town schools. There was peculiar appropriateness in this form of observance, as the new Danielson-Lincoln library building is connected with important history dating back to Washington's time and the Revolutionary War. It is a memorial to Sarah Danielson Lincoln, the daughter of General Timothy Danielson, who was the leading spirit of Western Massachusetts in the Revolutionary period, and the building stands on land belonging to Gen. Danielson's estate. At the Lexington alarm Danielson mustered a company and reached Lexington by a forced march April 20. The company must have been mustered out not far from the site of the library.

One of the most important documents exhibited was a letter from Gen. Horatio Gates, commander-in-chief of the continental army, to Brigadier Gen. Timothy Danielson. It was dated May 7, 1777, and urges Gen. Danielson to hurry to Ticonderoga with the Hampshire county troops and those which should arrive from the eastward. These troops were also reconnoitered in the vicinity of the library building if not on the actual premises of Gen. Danielson.

Most of the antique articles, with some books and documents, were loaned for the occasion, while the library has collected ancient books and papers relating to the history of the town. The extent and importance of the exhibition was surprising, as no extensive preparations had been made.

The library was effectively decorated with flags by Brick Lewis and Walter Corbin, and was further adorned by pictures of George and Martha Washington and quaint groups of the Washington family in black and white and in colors, which showed the honored and favorite subject for wall decoration in the old times.

A charming feature of the afternoon was a visit from the primary school, accompanied by the teacher, Miss Crumb. Each of the little ones carried a flag, and upon entering formed a group, and after saluting the flag sang without break all the stanzas of "America." They were then shown the objects of interest by the librarian, Miss Tarbell, after which they gave an exercise on George Washington and sang two flag songs. This was especially impressive, as no special preparation had been made for the visit.

James Reed Brown of Palmer, until recently one of Brimfield's oldest citizens, was present. He carried a cane, now in the possession of his nephew, J. Walter Brown, which is said to have been brought from England about 1636 by John Brown, the ancestor of one branch of the Brown family in Brimfield, and who served in Plymouth as governor's assistant.

A very valuable miniature of Daniel Webster was shown. It is one that Mr. Webster had painted for his fiancee, Grace Fletcher, during their courtship. It was handed down to the late Webster Pierce, whose mother was Grace Fletcher's niece. She spent much time in Daniel Webster's family and married from his house. There were bags and a sampler made by Rebecca Fletcher, sister of Grace.

Besides the letter of Gen. Gates, other manuscript letters were shown. There were several from Daniel Webster, one from Henry Clay, and from Gen. William Eaton. A letter from "Squire" Pynchon, one of the judges in Brimfield where there were two attorneys, was addressed to the other judge, Major Abner Morgan, then in the General Court, protesting against the making of Hampden county out of Hampshire County.

Among the most important documents was the diploma of Stephen Pynchon from Yale, 1879, and a commencement program of Harvard dated 1769. One of the questions discussed in this program is "Whether Lazarus, if before he died had distributed his property by will, could have claimed it again after his resuscitation." A bill for tuition, wearing apparel and harp lessons to Sarah Danielson when a pupil in Madame Rivardi's school in Philadelphia was an interesting curiosity.

The town is indebted to the late Henry F. Brown for the preservation of documents relating to local history. Among these was shown the roll of Solomon Hoar's cavalry company, 1813. Academy pupils were deeply interested in the papers of the Brimfield Lyceum, which flourished in the middle of the last century and which engaged the talent of the town noted for its intelligence and intellectual ability.

Newspapers shown were:

Massachusetts Spy, Worcester, 1775
Continental Journal, Boston, 1781.
Ulster County Gazette, draped for the death of Washington, 1800.
America Mercury, Hartford, 1807.
Cortland, N. Y., Repository, 1823.

Among the many interesting old books were:

A volume of Dryden poems, 1735.
A Latin grammar, 1793, used by Gen. Danielson, and also by his grandson, Timothy Danielson Lincoln.
The Koran, 1795, the property of Gen. William Eaton.
Morse's Geography, 1796.
A singing book, 1803, compiled by Walter Janes of Holland, Mass.
An "Advance Book," 1805, for charging British money to the Massachusetts and Virginia currency, and also to the decimal, owned by Samuel A. Hitchcock.

Antique articles of household use were appropriately placed by the big fireplace in which there was a cheerful blaze from pine knots in the reading room. In the corner cabinet resembling an old time buffet were specimens of ancient china, pewter and glass. On the top of the low cases which surround the book room was a display of seven varieties of lanterns, loaned by George W. Sherman. Near by were foot stoves and a wood canteen carried in the Revolution. On the opposite wall were suspended two rich coats worn in Washington's day.

On a table was a piece of figured linen spun and woven in 1838 by Mrs. Phoebe Bishop Hicks of Reedsboro, Vt., with a sample of flax near by. Among the quaint candlesticks exhibited was one made in Glascow, Scotland, and the property of Alexander Campbell, brother of John Campbell, the duke of Argyle. It has been handed down to his descendant, Mrs. Stowell of Brimfield. Illustrative of old-time handiwork there were bead bags and hand-woven embroidered wallets. Among the greatest curiosities was a tiny sun dial, a mould for running pewter spoons and a "logger head" or flip iron. In marked contrast in their suggestion of life there were accidentally placed side by side a baby's shoe preserved for a hundred years, and a pair of spectacles which for massiveness and crudeness might have been framed by the village blacksmith.

The exhibition was one which reflected the life of the past, and the library was converted into a place where history could be studied outside of books.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 24, 1905.

PALMER NEWS.

General Howard As An Educator.

It is the mark of a truly great man that he makes his influence felt in more than one field. General Howard's fame as a soldier is almost eclipsed by his record as an educator. While in his teens he began this work as a district school teacher in the state of Maine. He continued it as assistant professor and later as superintendent at West Point. While he was commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau within three years' time over 1400 schools were established within his jurisdiction.

He was one of the founders and early presidents of the university at Washington, D. C., which bears his name. Howard University was established by the national government in 1876. In 1902 it had 930 students. It is co-educational and purely non-sectarian, but has devoted itself largely to the higher education of the negro race. It is supported in part by congressional appropriations and is under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior.

As early as September, 1863, while the war was at its height, President Lincoln especially commended to General Howard's attention the mountain whites of East Tennessee. The charge which was thus given was later emphasized by Secretary Stanton at Mr. Lincoln's request. Much was done for these people while General Howard was chief of the Bureau of Refugees and Freedmen, but his greatest work and perhaps the crowning work of his life lay in the founding in 1895 of the Lincoln Memorial University at Cumberland Gap, Tennessee.

The avowed purpose of this institution is first, to teach the mountain youth the best methods of farming and the mechanical arts, also to provide them with normal and academic instruction and fit them to be teachers; second, to build a worthy memorial to Abraham Lincoln among the people of his nativity. Its charter states that this university shall ever seek to make education possible to the children of the humble common people of America, among whom Abraham Lincoln was born.

It is situated in the midst of a mountain population most of whom during the war were intensely loyal and contributed largely to the success of the Union cause. But the university preserves no traditions which would hurt the pride of any student whose father died under the battle-scarred cross of the Confederacy. The main building bears the name Grant-Lee Hall, the university colors are blue and gray, and the entire institution stands as a worthy monument to harmony and peace. To the futherance of the interests of this school Gen. Howard is devoting the best energies of his grand old age.

Patriotic Services.

Arrangements have been made for a series of patriotic church services in all parts of the state on the last day of this month, groups of churches to unite in the services. Arrangements have been made for one in Palmer, and delegations from the Congregational churches in Monson, Brimfield, Wilbraham, Ware (two churches), Ludlow (two churches), Belchertown, Three Rivers and Thorndike, will be present at the meeting to be held with the Congregational church in this village next Tuesday afternoon and evening, at 2 30 and 7.30 o'clock. These meetings, while held in the interests of the Congregational churches and their work, will be open to the public, which is urged to attend. There will be six speakers at each service, including such well-known Congregational workers as Revs. Emrich, Beard, Puddefoot, Gutterson, Tead, Marsh and Hood or Richards. The order of services for afternoon and evening will be as follows:

Opening Devotional Exercises.
Addresses (Three).
Roll Call of the Churches.
Hymn.
Addresses (Three).
Opportunity for Questions.
Prayer.
Hymn.
Benediction.

Meeting of Palmer Woman's Club.

The meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club will be held next Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Keith on Central street. This will be "Reciprocity Day," in place of "An Afternoon with Japan," as stated on the program. "Reciprocity Day" has come to be quite generally observed among clubs, and is strongly urged by the Federation, as promotive of good fellowship and acquaintance among the members. An exchange of papers, sometimes read by the writer, and again by some member of the home club, is the idea of the day. The program for the meeting includes a paper written and read by Mrs. Lucy Hunt Smith of Northampton, upon "Old Coaching Days in New England;" another contributed by Mrs. Alice M. Granger of Randolph, subject "Old Time New England Tramps," will be read. Miss Coney of Ware is expected to be present, and will sing. A social half hour will follow the literary program. It is especially urged that club members come promptly, that the meeting may begin at 3, or as soon thereafter as those coming in on the cars will permit.

"Minneola," an Epic Poem by Chauncey E. Peck.

D. L. Bodfish has for sale at his store a little volume from the pen of Chauncey E. Peck of Wilbraham which deserves more than a passing glance. It is an original epic poem entitled "Minneola," is written in the style of "Hiawatha" and is an interesting development of an Indian legend native of Wilbraham and vicinity. The legend is a pretty one, and gives a novel insight into local Indian traditions. It is in the form of a story told by the last Indian woman of the village, giving the legendary tale of the settlement of the country by the forefathers of the local Indian tribe. The volume is attractively illustrated with half-tones of figures posed in Indian costume and of landscapes. A feature worthy of note is the weaving into the tradition of the story of two strange pieces of stone of human shape, which were found by Mr. Peck in the town, and are still to be seen in Wilbraham. Closing the volume is a smaller poem entitled "The Parson's Rose," another Wilbraham story, elaborated into verse by Mr. Peck.

Praise for the Firemen.

The insurance adjuster who settled the loss on the house recently burned on the "King Knox" farm on the Thorndike road paid the Palmer firemen a high compliment for their work in saving the barn, saying frankly that he failed to see how it was done. The house stood near the barn and there was no water with which to fight the flames, and yet only a small portion of the corner next the house was damaged, and that less than $50. The firemen moved the hay next the fire, tore off the boards and shoveled snow on to places where it would do the most good, and dipped up the water which ran from the snow melted by the house fire.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

Washington's birthday was observed at the hospital in very much the same way as usual. A dance was given Tuesday evening and was well attended. During the forenoon several patients were taken for sleighrides and a dancing school was held. A number of the patients were visited by friends.

J. B. Dawson is spending the week in Boston.

Mrs. E. E. Dwyer spent Sunday with friends in Boston.

Mrs. Forest Whiton of New London, Ct., is visiting Palmer friends.

Mrs. A. W. Holbrook is visiting her former home in Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Francis spent Sunday with relatives in Meriden, Ct.

Mrs. George Wilbur has returned from a visit with friends in Brockton.

Mrs. Sophie Brooks is confined to the house with a serious eye trouble.

An additional cable has been put into the telephone exchange this week.

Miss E. E. Corcoran has been called to New York by the illness of her sister.

The Converse House Whist Club met in the parlors of the hotel Monday evening.

John W. French of Springfield spent Tuesday with his mother on Maple street.

Mrs. Sarah Gardner, who has been visiting her daughter in Boston, has returned home.

John Conroy has moved his family from the "Shanks" house on Pleasant street to Boston.

There will be preaching services in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

S. H. Backus is moving into the house on Pleasant street vacated by Dr. H. C. Cheney.

E. A. Buck is building a large storehouse in the rear of his North Main street residence.

Mrs. Lillian Hill of East Hartford, Ct., formerly of Palmer, has been in town this week.

Luke Parkhurst has moved from the Lewis house near the park to a house on Fox avenue.

Wednesday was a decidedly quiet day in Palmer, it seeming more like Sunday than a business day.

W. H. Letters of Putnam, Ct., has been the guest of his brother, H. P. Letters on Pleasant street.

Mrs. A. H. Moulton has been elected president of the Ladies' Social Union of St. Paul's church.

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Carpenter were called to Warren Wednesday by the death of Mr. Carpenter's brother.

John W. Hall is building a barn on his property in Tenneyville, on the site of the one recently burned.

The J. T. Gallivan Building Company has taken the contract to build an opera house in Pelzer, S. C.

The registrars of voters met Tuesday evening to revise the voting list for the coming town election.

Charles Welden is moving his family into the upper tenement of the "Sedgwick" house on Pleasant street.

C. E. Fuller, who was recovering from an attack of the grip, has had a relapse and is again confined to the house.

Holden & Fuller's woolen mill, which has been running on short time for a while, started on full time Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bancroft of Westfield were guests of Mrs. Sarah Parkhurst on Main street over Sunday.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30.

The Monday Evening Whist club will meet next Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Byram Woodhead on Squier street.

The Entre Nous whist club was entertained by Mrs. F. W. Hovey in the parlors of the Converse House Tuesday evening.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold a supper social in the church parlors next Wednesday evening; supper will be served at 6 30.

L. W. Parker, employed in Taylor's store, is confined to his house with an attack of grip, and his place in the store is being filled by Gardner Randlett.

A. L. Hills, formerly of Palmer, has been appointed ticket agent for the Atlantic and Birmingham railroad at Fitzgerald, Georgia, an important junction point.

The members of the Ladies' Society of the Congregational church met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. G. A. Rice on Pleasant street to sew for the coming Easter sale.

A change of time went into effect on the Boston and Albany road Sunday whereby the train for the west which has heretofore left Palmer at 11.06 will hereafter leave at 10.47.

The schools of the town were closed all day Wednesday, Washington's birthday. The banks were all closed, and the post office observed the usual holiday closing hours.

The Foreign Missionary Society of the Congregational church held a very interesting meeting with Mrs. J. C. Wing on Central street Wednesday afternoon and began the study of Japan.

Miss Grace Thompson and her guests, Misses Edna Bailey and Hester Davies, who have been visiting Miss Thompson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Thompson, have returned to Wellesley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Berry of Rensselier, N. Y., spent the first of the week with Mrs. Berry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Converse. Mrs Converse has gone to Rensselier to visit her daughter.

Dr. H. C. Cheney has moved his residence and office from Pleasant street to the "Lawrence" house on the corner of Main and Church streets. The office is on the west side, next the Lawrence block.

The Sunshine Club paid a surprise visit to Miss Jennie Brainerd at her home on East Park street last Friday evening, there being an even dozen present. Refreshments were carried, and an enjoyable time was had.

Mrs. J. M. Allen and Mrs. L. W. Parker were thrown from a sleigh yesterday afternoon while attempting to turn around in the deep snow. Neither was hurt; the horse ran nearly to Brimfield before it was captured.

Complimentary cards of admission to Gen. Howard's lecture will be issued to all veterans who are members of L. L. Merrick Post, G. A. R. Veterans are requested to come in uniform and will be seated together.

Numerous persons have spoken this week of the condition of a number of the fire hydrants about town, they being so blocked or covered with snow that it would be impossible for them to be used quickly in case of necessity.

Tuesday was the first fairly warm day in this vicinity for a number of weeks. The sun shone bright and water ran freely in the street and on the sidewalks. On the roads outside the village the snow was settled perceptibly by the warmth.

The thaw of Tuesday has covered the greater portion of the sidewalks of the town with a coating of glare ice, which is a menace to the equilibrium of pedestrians. A few property owners have sanded their walks, but the number is very small.

Miss Mabel E. Ryther, teacher in the fifth grade of the Palmer grammar school, has resigned to take a position in the labor bureau department in the state house in Boston. Miss Helen L. Robinson is acting as substitute until the vacancy is filled.

The 9 o'clock electric car for Springfield Saturday night—No. 295 of the Springfield company—was delayed half an hour at the bridge over the Quaboag river by one of the motor cases becoming loosened and dropping until it struck the guard rail of the bridge.

Prof. Kelly's dancing class will give its annual exhibition and reception in the opera house next Thursday evening. Beginning at 8, an hour will be given to exhibitions of fancy dancing by a class of 50 children, after which the public will be admitted to the floor.

Services at the Congregational church Sunday morning will be at the usual hours. Rev. V. H. Deming of North Wilbraham will preach at 10 45, and the pastor at 7 in evening. Sunday school at 12 m.; Endeavor meetings at 4, 5 and 6 p. m. Mid-week service Thursday evening at 7 30.

The subject of the morning service at the Baptist church next Sunday will be, "The Mystery of the Ages," the ninth study in Ephesians. Sunday school will be at 12, and Y. P. S. C. E meeting at 6 p. m. Evening song service at 7, followed by a sermon on "An Inquisitive's Inquisition."

The pupils of the ninth grade of the grammar school had a sleighride Tuesday evening. They wished to go to some of the places near by, but all the halls seemed to be engaged, so they made the tour of the villages and returned to the assembly hall of the school, where refreshments were served and a general good time enjoyed.

A large bookcase, filled with heavy books, fell in the reading room of the public library last Saturday afternoon without the slightest warning, the screws which held it to the wall having ceased to hold. Fortunately no one was near it at the time, although a boy had been sitting at the table directly in the path of the structure only a few moments before.

A sleigh owned by Clark & Hastings and driven by Charles Sharratt of Bondsville was tipped over at the corner of Main and Thorndike streets Monday afternoon. The runners of the sleigh caught in the track in turning the corner, which caused the accident. The horse ran up North Main street, but was brought back in a short time by the driver. The driver escaped without injury, and the sleigh was not damaged in any way.

The district court was called upon Monday to consider the case of a Thorndike young man who had assaulted his younger brother. He paid a fine of $10 and furnished sureties in the sum of $300 to keep the peace for six months. Yesterday Edward Blake, of nowhere in particular and everywhere in general, was sent to the house of correction for 30 days; he was convicted of drunkenness. One Ludlow "drunk" was placed on probation until March 3.

The Woman's Relief Corps had an unusually large attendance at its chicken-pie supper Wednesday evening, so large a number that the supply of eatables ran out and it was necessary to stop the sale of tickets. Booths were arranged in the corners of the room, in which fancy articles, home-made candy, flowers, mystery packages and popcorn were sold. An orchestra furnished music during supper, and later for dancing, which was indulged in by a generous number.

Grades 7, 8 and 9 of the grammar school are to hold a "Parents' Day" in the school building next Friday afternoon at 2 30, when special exercises will be held in the assembly hall. The program will consist of recitations, singing, etc, with special effort to show the good individual training given in music. Parents are urged to attend, and all are invited, though special invitation is extended to parents of the pupils in the 7th, 8th and 9th grades. The remaining six grades have been divided into two sections and will hold similar exercises later in the term

PALMER CENTER.

Mrs. Susan Lamb, 87, died at the home of her son, George, last Friday morning, after being in failing health for some time. Mrs. Lamb was born in Harvard, the daughter of John and Susan Webber. She had been a resident of this place for many years. She leaves two sons, George and Reuben, and three daughters, Mrs. Rumwell of Blackstone, Mrs. Cooley of Riverside, R. I., and Mrs. Flint of Wales. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 2, Rev. Mr. Beeman of Bondsville officiating. The body was placed in the tomb in the Thorndike street cemetery in Palmer.

THORNDIKE.

Bazar Committees.

At a meeting of the S. M. T. A. S. bazar committee held in the society's rooms on Sunday the following committees were appointed for the coming bazar of the society in Union Hall: Committee on dancing, Michael F. Loftus, Martin F. Hurley, William M. Holden, George Riley, Patrick Stokes, Charles E Walker, Timothy Sullivan, Daniel Healey, Samuel Brown, Frederick Gay; refreshments, Daniel J. Sullivan, Joseph Mongeau, Samuel Brown, John Crean; care of clothing, Peter Cahill Jr., George Riley, Daniel Healey, Charles E. Walker, John Crean.

Mrs. Ellen Hartnett is ill with pneumonia.

Miss Mary O'Keefe of Pine avenue is visiting friends in New York.

Thomas Morrison visited his sister, Mrs. Arthur McCuska, on Tuesday.

Miss Edith Gray of Three Rivers is passing a few weeks with Mrs. James Clark on Church street.

Miss Annie McDonald of Monson spent Wednesday with Mrs. Maurice Flynn and family on High street.

Mrs. Kathryn Shaw has returned to her home on Church street after a visit with relatives in Chester, Vt.

Mrs. Daniel Shiels, who has been ill at her home on Commercial street, has recovered and is able to be out again.

Jesse Trumble, James O'Keefe and John McKelligott, all of Springfield, passed Sunday with their parents here.

The Ladies of Columbus of Thorndike attended the colonial party in Columbus hall in Palmer Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Stebbins of Church street entertained a number of their musical friends Monday evening.

Misses Bessie Roche, Nellie Sullivan and Kittie Sugrue passed Sunday with Miss Jennie Twiss in Three Rivers.

Miss Louise Longtine, assistant postmaster, attended a party at Springfield Saturday evening, returning home Monday.

Miss Agnes O'Keefe entertained a number of her school friends with whist at her home on Pine avenue Tuesday evening.

Miss Lillian Sullivan of Westfield Normal School was the guest of her uncle, William Sullivan, on Commercial street, Monday.

The prize doll which was offered by Miss K. M. Fleming to the customers of her millinery store is awaiting the holder of the lucky number, which is 3 30

Mrs. W. Ham has returned from an extended visit with relatives in Springfield and Brattleboro, Vt., and is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jason Miller on Main street.

Camile Pero defeated Timothy Sullivan in the pool match for the championship Saturday night at Massie's pool room by a score of 100 to 76. Pero is now awaiting the next man.

A slight fire occurred in the home of George LaDuke yesterday by the flying off of the head of a parlor match, which ignited the draperies. It was extinguished without any great damage being done.

A sleighride party of young people went to the home of Super Bordeaux of West Ware, a former Thorndike resident, Saturday night and enjoyed a very pleasant evening. Dancing and refreshments were in order until a late hour.

A dance will be given in Union Hall next Friday evening for the benefit of Patrick Riley. Martin F. Hurley will have charge of the floor, assisted by D. F. Leary, M. J. Sullivan and George LaPlant. The Marine Orchestra and N. J. Comfort will be in attendance.

Warren M. Trumble, who has been in the employ of the Boston and Albany railroad at this station for over eight years, has resigned his position to take effect tonight. He will be succeeded by Dennis Dunn Mr. Trumble has been a faithful and conscientious employee and his resignation will be regretted by those who have had business dealings with him.

A party of forty from Thorndike attended the fair at West Warren which was given under the auspices of the local temperance society Saturday night. The ride was a cold one owing to the inclement weather, nevertheless those present enjoyed the occasion very much and speak in praise of the West Warren society for the manner in which they were entertained. Hot coffee and sandwiches were served the visitors before their departure from West Warren. The party did not reach home until early Sunday morning.

Mrs. A. M. Bond was pleasantly surprised Tuesday afternoon by a gathering of friends from Thorndike and Monson at her home on High street to celebrate the anniversary of her birth. A very pleasant social afternoon was enjoyed by all, music being furnished by the ladies' orchestra An excellent supper was served, some of the best cooks in Thorndike catering. Mrs. Bond received many beautiful flowers from friends unable to be present, and remembrances from those who were there. All united in wishing the lady health and happiness.

BONDSVILLE.

Shea—Maher.

The marriage of Miss Josie M. Shea of this village and Edwin Maher of Hampden took place yesterday morning at 9 30 o'clock in St. Bartholomew's church, Rev. B. McKeany officiating. Miss Johannah Shea of Chicopee was bridesmaid and Thomas Maher of Springfield, brother of the groom, acted as best man. The bride wore a suit of slate colored crepe de chine with a hat to match. The newly-married couple started immediately after the ceremony on a short wedding trip to Boston. On their return they will make their home in West Warren.

James Ash is seriously ill at his home.

Edwin Lamb has left the employ of T. D. Potter & Co.

Mrs. Edward Sharratt is able to be out after an attack of the grip.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ryther visited last Saturday and Sunday in Monson.

Miss Florence Bond spent a part of the week visiting relatives in Stafford Springs, Ct.

The schools were closed all day Wednesday in observance of Washington's birthday.

Mrs. O. Merrifield has been ill for the past two weeks with a severe attack of the grip.

John O'Connor has been in New Haven, Ct., this week attending the funeral of a relative.

Miss Helen Farnsworth will spend to-morrow and Sunday at her home in Lancaster.

The King's Daughters Circle held a meeting this afternoon at the home of Miss Dora Hayes.

Miss Bridget Gloster is able to be out after being confined to the house for the past few months.

Mrs. Marcus Culver moved Wednesday into one of Mrs. Maria Bond's tenements on Crawford street.

Miss Doris Merrifield of Springfield is visiting at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Rowland McFarlane.

Miss Faith Reed of West Brookfield spent the first part of the week as the guest of Miss Leila Beeman.

The young girls' sewing circle will hold a meeting next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. C. Morgan.

Arthur Fauteux Sr. has resumed his duties for the Boston Duck Co, after a severe attack of rheumatism.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold a meeting next Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. M. Billings.

Rev. L. L. Beeman officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Sarah Lamb in Palmer Center last Sunday afternoon.

A number of the young people of the village enjoyed a sleighride to P. H. Garvey's in Belchertown last Saturday night.

A number from this village attended the chicken-pie supper given by the Woman's Relief Corps in Palmer Wednesday evening.

A number from this place attended the supper and entertainment given in the Methodist church in Monson Wednesday evening.

Scott Merrifield and children of Springfield visited at the home of Mr. Merrifield's sister, Mrs. Rowland McFarland, a part of the week.

William Rose has been confined to his home this week with an attack of grippe. Edwin Lamb has been substituting for him in the mill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ryther and daughter, Miss Mabel, attended the funeral of Mrs. Ryther's sister, Mrs. Clara Holmes in Monson Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Redhead have commenced housekeeping in the one of the tenements of the Boston Duck Co. called the 1888 block.

Miss Nellie Collins and Miss Nora Shannon of Holyoke were guests of Miss Collins's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Collins, Wednesday.

Miss Kate Thomas of Holyoke and Mrs. James Trefren of Suffield, Ct., are spending the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomas on Pine street.

Word has been received from Charles H. Bannister, who underwent an operation at the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield last Saturday, and he is getting along nicely.

The main pipe which furnishes R. L. Bond's tenements on Main street with water became frozen last week and the tenants are obliged to obtain water from other sources.

Miss Helen Robinson of Palmer substituted in Miss Clark's room of the grammar school last Thursday and Friday during Miss Clark's absence on account of the illness of her mother in Thorndike.

George Bachard had the misfortune to sever two fingers of his left hand at the first joint while trimming cord wood the latter part of last week. He was attended by Dr. H. A. Smith and is doing as well as can be expected.

A sleigh owned by Clark & Hastings of this village and driven by Charles Sharratt was overturned in Palmer Monday afternoon at the corner of Main and Thorndike streets. Mr. Sharratt was thrown out but fortunately escaped injury. The horse was stopped before he had done any damage and the sleigh was reloaded.

Miss Mabel Ryther has resigned her position as teacher in the Palmer grammar school and finished her duties there last Friday. Miss Ryther has secured a position in the labor bureau of the State House in Boston and will leave to-morrow to begin her work at once. Miss Ryther has hosts of friends in this village, where she has lived most of her life, who will be pleased to hear of her appointment.

The cold meat and baked bean supper given by the Ladies' Aid Society in the vestry of the M. E. church last Friday evening was a success socially and financially. Supper was served to the townspeople at 6 30, and at 8 o'clock another supper was served to the sleighride party of Epworth League young people from the Monson Methodist church There were 25 young people and the minister, Rev. Mr. Gifford. After the supper an entertainment was given by the visitors, consisting of readings and singing, which was much enjoyed by all. The party broke up soon after ten by the singing of the doxology. As a result of the supper the ladies will clear about $18

Mrs. James Ash, 67, died at her home Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, after an illness of about one week with the grip. Mrs. Ash was born in Ireland and came to this country about 50 years ago and had lived most of that time in this village. About a week ago she was taken with a severe cold but was not supposed to be dangerously ill until the last day or two. Mrs. Ash leaves beside her husband, one son, Thomas J. Ash of Waterbury, Ct., and six daughters, Mrs. John J. Sullivan of this village, Mrs. James Carlon of Northampton, Mrs. Joseph Mongion of Thorndike, and Misses Annie, Margaret and Elizabeth of Bondsville. The funeral was held this morning in St. Bartholomew's church, Rev. B. McKeany officiating, with a requiem high mass. Burial was in the Thorndike cemetery.

BELCHERTOWN.

D. K. Shumway, who has been ill for several weeks, is slowly recovering.

A Democratic caucus will be held in the town hall to-morrow evening at 7 30.

Nathaniel Dwight has sold his house on North Main street to William Squairs.

Rev. Joel Martin has been spending this week in Rutland, Vt., where he attended the marriage of a former parishioner.

Martin Hastings, 84, died at his home Sunday afternoon after a long illness. Mr. Hastings had resided in Belchertown for over 50 years, and until a few years ago owned a farm in the Rockrimmon neighborhood. He leaves a widow. The funeral was held Wednesday morning at 11, Rev. Mr. Woodbury of the Baptist church officiating, and burial was in the Four Corners cemetery.

The Republican caucus was held Tuesday evening with an unusually large attendance. G. H. B. Green was chosen moderator. The nominations were: Selectmen, Nelson Randall, E. A. Randall and E C. Witt; assessors, Guy C. Allen Jr, Almon Pratt, Frank Alden; superintendent of streets, J. A. Peeso; town clerk and treasurer, Arthur Bridgman; burial commissioner, D. R. Ward; constables, M. S. Barton, D. R Ward, M. F. Austin, G. C. Allen Jr., W. M. Goodell; tax collector, D. F Shumway. There were contests for selectmen, tax collector and superintendent of streets.

The Holland club held an interesting session at the home of Mrs. H D. Longley Tuesday evening. Mrs Gertrude Thomson presided in the absence of the president and vice president. A letter was received from the secretary of Vernon lodge of Masons offering the use of Masonic hall for any special meetings of the club. The offer was very pleasing to the club and was accepted with a vote of thanks. Mrs. Longley read an interesting paper on "The Music of the Revolution," and Masters Raymond and Harry Gould played "Yankee Doodle" with piano and cornet, which was a pleasing feature of the evening. The following committee was appointed to arrange the program for the coming year: Mrs. M. D. S. Longley, Mrs Edmund S Thomson, with Miss Lucy D. Thomson, president of the club.

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In Bondsville, 22d, Mrs. James Ash, 67.
In Monson, 18th, Charles J. Hanson, 60.
In Monson, 19th, Mrs. Clara M. Holmes, 55.
In Ware, 18th, Louis Berthlaune, 65.
In Ware, 23d, Mrs. Susan Gordon, 58, wife of Silas Barlow.
In Belchertown, 19th, Martin Hastings, 84.
In Holland, 23d, Mrs. E. P. Damon, 75.
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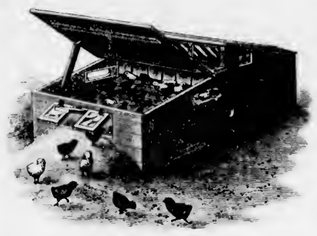

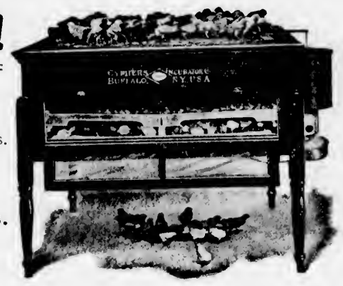

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Monson News.

BASKETBALL.

Northampton High 23, Monson Academy 10.

Monson Academy was defeated by the strong Northampton team at the Holmes gymnasium in Monson Wednesday afternoon. Northampton has one of the strongest teams in this section of the state, having defeated Chicopee High and Holyoke High twice. Nevertheless the Monson boys put up a good game, holding the visiting team down to seven baskets, the rest of the score being made on fouls. The second half of the game proved the most interesting, each side making seven points. In a preliminary game, Monson Academy 21 team defeated Palmer High by a score of 22 to 8 The summaries:

Northampton.		Monson.
Harris, l f		r g, Rourke
Lambie,		l g, English
Curtis, c		c, Briggs
Larkin, l g		r f, Hynes
Smith, r g,		l f, Faulkner

Score: Northampton High 23, Monson Academy 10 Goals from floor, Lambie 3, Larkin 2, Briggs 2, Smith, Curtis, Hynes, Faulkner. Goals from fouls, Lambie 8, Harris 1, Briggs 1, Faulkner 1. Time, 20-minute halves.

M. A. 2d.		Palmer High.
Cahill, l f		r g, Walker
Page, r f		l g, Duffy
Norcross, c		c, Atkins
Hall, l g		r f, Todd
Nelligan, r g		l f, Brierley

Score: M. A. 2d, 22, Palmer High 8 Goals from floor, Cahill 3, Page 2, Norcross 1, Brierley 1, Duffy 1. From fouls, Hale 3, Cahill 2, Page 2, Norcross 2, Nelligan 1 Referee, R. Stebbins. Time, 20-minute halves. Scorer, Neville. Timer, Hanley.

Fair Play, and a Few Facts.

In a communication in last week's Monson Register Chief D. B. Needham of the Monson fire department comments on the Journal's item of the previous week concerning the handling of the Ellis house fire, and the correspondent who wrote it The article is signed "The Monson Fire Department," but Mr. Needham frankly says that he is the author of it. The article's remarks concerning the Journal's correspondent are too puerile to be given the dignity of a reply, but his deliberate misquotation of the Journal cannot be allowed to pass. He says that the Journal's article said "It was thirty minutes before the apparatus arrived." What the Journal did say was, "It being more than 30 minutes after the alarm was rung before the water was turned on the blaze."

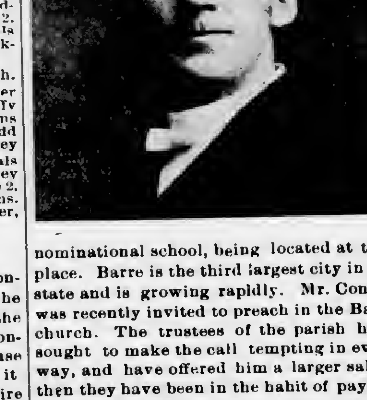
The article states that the Monson fire department "is not perfect and does not object to any just criticism. All they ask is the facts fairly stated." A few facts: It is a fact that after the hose had been attached to the hydrant at the Ellis fire, about 20 minutes after the alarm was rung, a man had to be sent to the engine house for a wrench to open the hydrant. It is a fact that when the hose proved too short men were sent back for "two more lengths." It is a fact that no attempt was made to get a stream of water in any window directly upon the seat of the fire. It is a fact that orders were given not to open or break any windows. It is a fact that the barn was in no time in danger of catching and did not need protection. It is a fact that the only water thrown on the house until after the roof fell in was thrown on the outside where there was no fire. It is a fact that members of the fire department frankly say they have standing orders not to break a window at a fire and so create a draft. It is a fact that at the Cushman fire Saturday night the same principle was employed—of throwing water on the outside of the house and making no attempt to get at the inside until the water can be thrown in through a hole burned in the roof. It is a fact that the two fundamental principles of fire fighting—to get a stream of water on the seat of the flames as soon as possible, and to fight it back from unoccupied space instead of driving it into it—are not employed in the fighting of Monson fires. It is a fact that several property owners have abandoned all hope of help from the department as at present managed and shall ring no alarm if their property catches fire. It is a fact that many members of the fire department are themselves severely critical of the orders given them at fires and object to being censured for not doing more when they are not allowed to. It is a fact that Monson property holders are much concerned over the present outlook, and do not hesitate to say that the condition cannot well be worse.

Fire in Tenement House.

The fire department responded to a call from box 16 at the corner of Cushman and Gates streets about 8 o'clock Saturday evening. The fire was in the attic of the Cushman block on the hill, and was evidently started from a chimney in the south end of the house. Two streams of water were poured on to the roof for over two hours before the fire was subdued. The upper part of the house is badly burned, while the lower part is badly damaged by water. The block was occupied by John Murphy, Nicholas Hanley, Charles Callahan and Patrick Crowley. The families succeeded in getting out most of their goods, but these were damaged considerably by water. Some of the families carried insurance. Several articles were missed after the fire and were without doubt stolen. A dressing case owned by James Shea, son-in-law of Charles Callahan, was broken into and a valuable watch and chain stolen. The loss on the building is placed at about $2000, and is covered by insurance.

Called to Vermont.

Rev. C. C. Conner, who for several years has been pastor of the Universalist church here, has received a call to the pastorate of the Universalist church at Barre, Vt. The latter is the leading church of the state, and is one of the most important of the denomination, Goddard Seminary, a de-



nominational school, being located at that place. Barre is the third largest city in the state and is growing rapidly. Mr. Conner was recently invited to preach in the Barre church. The trustees of the parish have sought to make the call tempting in every way, and have offered him a larger salary then they have been in the habit of paying. Mr. Conner has the matter under careful consideration before he will make his decision.

Academy Notes.

Briggs, '06, visited friends in Woonsocket last Saturday.

Miss Carew, '06, who has been ill with the grip, has returned to school.

The regular Wednesday morning rhetoricals were given this morning.

Miss Dillon, '03, now of Westfield Normal School, visited at the Academy Tuesday.

Holloway, '02, and Norcross, '06, figured prominently at the fire last Saturday night.

Miss Aldrich and Miss Parker visited friends at Mt. Holyoke College Wednesday.

The class of 1908 are planning to give a return social to the class of 1907 at some date in the near future.

Philo will carry out the following program this evening: Essay, Miss Connell, Miss G. Leahy; recitation, Miss Murphy, Miss Allen; music, Miss Fitzgerald, Miss Fuller; news items, Miss Pendergast; talk given by Miss Thrall.

"Lino" held one of its best meetings of the year last Friday evening. The attendance was larger than at any previous meeting, and the entire program was rendered in a most creditable manner. Following the program there was a warm discussion over the revised constitution.

Died From His Injuries.

Charles J. Hanson, 60, died at his home on Hampden avenue Saturday morning at 9 30 from internal injuries received by being caught in a belt at the Ellis & Co. mill the Thursday previous. Mr. Hanson was highly esteemed by his fellow workmen and had many friends throughout the town. He leaves a widow and four children, Nellie, Jennie, Lizzie and William, all of this town. The funeral was held from St. Patrick's church Monday morning at 9.30, and burial was in the Catholic cemetery on Pearl street.

C. A. Sweet has purchased a colt of E. R. Sisson.

Mrs. Etta Orcutt is ill at her home on Main street.

Mrs. Charles Merrick has been ill with the grip this week.

Asa W. Leonard has purchased a driving horse of Charles Merrick.

Miss Alice Morris has returned from a visit with friends in Worcester.

Mrs. N. M. Pratt has returned from a few weeks' visit in New York city.

C. M. Gage has been ill with rheumatism this week at his home on Main street.

R. H. Flynt of Amherst College visited Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Flynt Wednesday.

Miss Gertrude Hanley has been visiting her aunt at South Manchester, Ct., this week.

Miss Mary J. Barry is at the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield for treatment.

Mrs. A. H. Shaw of the Wales road is visiting her son, Eugene Shaw in Springfield.

The Fortnightly Club met Monday night with Mrs. E. E Thompson on Lincoln street.

Rev. C. C. Conner will preach in the Gage school house Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

R. E. Shaw spent Wednesday with his sister, Miss Louise Shaw at Mt. Holyoke college.

C. Weeks of Hinsdale, N. H., has been engaged as boss carder at S. F. Cushman & Sons' mill, which is to start in a few days.

Mr. Lee of Wesleyan Academy spent Monday in town as the guest of Charles Henry Lu.

Alfred Converse of Warren visited his sister, Mrs. W. N. Flynt on High street yesterday.

Miss Annie Osborne of Pittsfield is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Crowley on Bridge street.

Harold Briggs has returned from his home at Woonsocket, R. I, where he has been for a visit.

Mrs. Leach of Stafford Springs, Ct., visited Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Newton on Main street this week.

Leonard Charles is moving his family from M. K. O'Brien's house to the King place on the Wales road.

The members of Miss Elizabeth Curley's school at No. 8 district enjoyed a sleigh-ride to Palmer Saturday.

The selectmen will hold their last meeting of the year in the selectmen's room next Wednesday afternoon.

The schools were closed Wednesday for Washington's birthday and the mail carriers also had a vacation.

Mrs. Fred S. Chapman entertained the Century Whist Club at her home on Green street Wednesday afternoon.

The subject of the sermon at the Universalist church Sunday morning will be "Judgment and Justification."

Miss Annie Murphy, who has been the guest of Mrs. R. S. Hughes, has returned to her home at New Haven, Ct.

James Watson of Fall River has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Closson on High street.

O C. McCray carried a sleighride party of a dozen men to Brimfield last evening, where supper was enjoyed at the Brimfield hotel.

The vital statistics for the year 1904, as shown by the records of the town clerk, are as follows: 38 marriages, 73 births and 96 deaths.

Dr. Capen gave an interesting talk on human blood before the members of the men's assembly of the Methodist church Tuesday evening.

Rev. R. J. Floody of Worcester gave an interesting talk at the Congregational church last evening on "New Methods on church work."

Miss Lilla Hennick and Miss Agnes Dillon of Westfield Normal School have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dillon on Highland avenue.

Rev. Albert L. Squier of Newtonville will occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church Sunday morning in exchange with Rev. N. M. Pratt.

A dog owned by Mrs. Florence Cooley was run over by an electric car an South Main street yesterday morning and so badly injured that it had to be killed.

Mrs. C. Ralph LeGro is ill with diphtheria at her home on State avenue, near Palmer, and the house has been quarantined by the Monson board of health.

Miss Ella Ryan was taken to the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield last night, where she was operated on for appendicitis. The operation was considered successful.

The officers-elect of the Monson lodge of Foresters were installed by the grand officers at a meeting held in Workman Hall Monday night. The lodge starts off with a membership of 48, and will meet twice a month.

An interesting farmers' meeting was held in the Silver Street chapel Tuesday afternoon at 1 30 There were about 25 present. The speaker was Mr. S. H. Reed of West Brookfield, who spoke on the subject "Insects, Birds and Animals that are injurious or favorable to the farmer." Mr. Edson of Wilbraham gave a short talk.

Mrs. Clara M. Holmes, 55, died at the home of her brother, Louis Fleming, on East Hill Sunday afternoon, after a long illness. She leaves besides her brother, two sisters, Mrs. Wilbur Holdridge of this town and Mrs. E. E. Ryther of Bondsville. The funeral was held from the residence on East Hill Tuesday afternoon at 1.30, Rev. N. M. Pratt officiating. Burial was in Palmer.

An unusually interesting vesper service will be held in the Congregational church Sunday evening, March 5, at 6 o'clock. The singers will be Miss Estelle G. Hutchinson, soprano; Miss Ernestine Gauthier, contralto; Robert A. Johnstone, tenor; C. F. Orcutt, bass. There will be a solo by Miss Gauthier, who recently returned to Springfield after a two and a half years' study in Paris. The cantata, "Patience, Pardon and Peace," will be given.

The Century Club held an open meeting at the home of Mrs. F. E. Fairbank on Pleasant street Tuesday. It was made a Washington party and the members of the club were dressed in colonial costume. It was made a very pleasant occasion. The club will meet next Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. N. M. Pratt on High street. The subject will be "Historians and Essayists," and the program will be in charge of Mrs. H. F. Miller, Mrs. N. M. Pratt and Mrs. A. O. Shaw.

Chemical No. 2 responded to a still alarm of fire at North Monson at 8 o'clock this morning. The fire was in the basement of the old wooden mill, owned by George C. Flynt, and started on the floor. From appearances it was started by tramps, who had broken in and had made a fire on the floor to keep warm. A large hole was burned through the floor, which was very damp, otherwise the building would certainly have been destroyed. As it was, the fire was put out with water in pails and the chemical engine, and the damage will be slight. Several of the floor timbers were badly burned and will have to be replaced. The fire was first discovered by Mr. Barnes, who lives near the mill.

THREE RIVERS.

Daniel Dunn is ill at his home on Main street.

William Harper is confined to his home by illness.

F. Liberty has moved his insurance business to Ware.

Arthur Provost is seriously ill at the Riverside Hotel.

P. J. Rollett spent Sunday with friends in West Warren.

Edward Nickerson has taken a position in the cloth room.

Ildige Mason is ill at his home with an attack of the grip.

Miss Carrie Woodworth is visiting friends in Boston.

Miss Lena Lavene is in Providence, R. I., on a two-months' visit.

Miss Nettie Wells is visiting at the home of Miss Edith Fillmore.

Thomas J. Coogan spent Sunday at his home in Indian Orchard.

Thomas Pendergast spent Sunday with friends in Indian Orchard.

Mrs. Edward Parrow is visiting Mrs. C. S Russell in Springfield.

Miss Hattie King of Windsor Locks, Ct., is visiting relatives in this place.

Alphonse Henrichon has sufficiently recovered from his illness to be out.

Fred E. Coburn of Manchester, N. H., is visiting his brother, E. C. Coburn.

Miss Ernestine Gamarsh of Thompsonville is visiting Mrs. W. B. Provost.

The Red Men will work the adoption degree on L. L. Dupuis next Tuesday.

Clarence Lupien, who has been ill, has resumed his duties in the Palmer Mill.

A. J Ruel has resigned his position as organist in the French Catholic church.

Mrs. S. W. Wells and daughter Alfretta are visiting Mrs. Wells's mother in North Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rycroft of West Warren spent Sunday at the home of J. H. Trickett.

O. A. Maxwell was elected treasurer of the Union church Sunday school last Sunday to fill the place vacated by S. W. Wells.

S. Ray of North Adams has taken the position formerly held by S. W. Wells in the Palmer Mill.

W. Roberts of Indian Orchard is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Roberts on Springfield street.

Miss Martha Bartkowiak spent the first part of the week with the Misses Gardner in East Longmeadow.

Mrs. F. A. Calkins and Mrs. Alice Gardner visited the First Church of Christ Sunday school in Springfield last Sunday.

Charles J. King of the U. S. commissionary department is visiting E. C. Coburn. Mr. King was in China when the Boxer troubles occurred.

Many of the residents of East Main and Ruggles streets are without water, probably due to the freezing of pipes.

The subject of Rev. Charles Olmstead's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Far Sighted Look;" the evening topic will be "Beyond Human Help."

The ninth grade of the grammar school have decided to give their play "No Cure, No Pay," next Monday night instead of this evening, as originally planned.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Baptist church held a sociable at the home of E. H. Hecox Wednesday night. About 40 were present and light refreshments were served.

R. C. Nickerson has taken a position in the machine shop of the Palmer Mill, and will move his family into the house vacated by B. L. Sargent on Springfield street.

The subject for Rev. D C. York's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Fellowship of Jesus Christ." In the evening he will speak on "The Evolution of a Saint."

The public schools of the place closed on Washington's birthday and the post office was closed from 10 o'clock until 6. As it was a holiday the early morning mail was omitted.

The funeral of Augustine Chevalier of Bondsville was held in St. Anne's church yesterday morning, Rev. J. V. Campeau officiating, and burial was in St. Anne's cemetery.

The Three Rivers baseball team will give a dance in Ruggles' Hall next Friday night. An admission fee of 50 cents will be charged and the proceeds of the dance will go to the support of the team. The committee of arrangements are E. Provo, N. Dinell, Charles Barber and D Dunn.

Mrs. John Sullivan, 40, died Tuesday morning of pneumonia after an illness of two weeks at her home on Bourne street. Mrs. Sullivan was born in Ireland but lived in Three Rivers for many years, and was well known in this place. She leaves a husband, four children, the oldest of which is six years, a mother, Mrs. Catherine Hartnett, and three brothers, James, Daniel and Thomas Hartnett, all of this place. The funeral was held yesterday morning at 9 o'clock in St. Mary's church in Thorndike. Burial was in the Thorndike cemetery.

A physical culture society was organized Monday by a number of the young men of Three Rivers with officers as follows: President, Edward C. Coburn; vice president, Clinton D. Frame; treasurer, Oviate A. Maxwell; recording secretary, Robert L Geer; corresponding secretary, I. R. Shaw. The object of the society is to promote the general welfare of its members in the upbuilding of the physical body, to promote mental and moral hygiene, and better acquaintance with physical culturists. The society invites the co-operation of any one interested in this line of work, and any information can be obtained by applying to the secretary, Robert L. Geer.

Fraternity Notes.

Good Cheer Rebekah degree lodge will hold a regular meeting next Monday evening.

The Knights of Malta will meet next Tuesday evening and the election of officers will take place.

Palmer lodge of Odd Fellows will have a roll-call and smoke-talk in the lodge rooms next Wednesday evening.

A convocation of Hampden Royal Arch chapter of Masons was held Monday evening, and the P. M. and M. E. degrees conferred.

Washington council, R. and S. M., will hold a regular assembly next Monday evening, when the select degree will be worked on three candidates.

About 20 members of Revere chapter, Eastern Star, are planning to visit Adelphi chapter of Springfield this evening. They will leave on the 7 o'clock electric car.

An exemplification of the council work of Masons in Springfield Wednesday afternoon was attended by Messrs. Woodhead, Newcomb, Clark, Tabor, Rice, Converse, Hitchcock, Norton, McGregory and Gray of Washington council of Palmer.

WILBRAHAM.

The Mission Study Club met at the home of Mrs. H. B Davis this afternoon.

Miss Carrie Eichbauer of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been a guest at Rich Hall.

Mrs. Jones of Ellington, Ct, has been visiting her daughter, Miss G M. Jones.

Miss Harriet Newhall entertained 20 of her young friends at a birthday party in honor of her 12th birthday at her home on Main street Tuesday.

HAMPDEN.

Rev. C. B. Bliss is spending a three-weeks' vacation in New York city.

The advanced school at the Center was closed last week on account of the illness of the teacher, Miss Flora Griswold.

Elmer W. Mulrooney, formerly clerk in Smith's store, has secured a position in McIntosh & Co's. store in Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. William Leach will celebrate the 50th anniversary of their marriage on Monday, March 6th, when they will be at home to their friends during the afternoon and evening.

The dwelling house of Dr. Henry Warner caught fire on last week Thursday night, but the fire was discovered before much damage was done to the building. The principal loss was due to smoke and water, covered by insurance.

BRIMFIELD.

Ladies' night in the Grange annual program fell upon the eve of Washington's birthday this year, and the occasion was very suitably and sucessfully celebrated. The committee of arrangements made up a pleasing program which followed a bountiful old fashioned supper served from 6 to 8. There were patriotic tableauxs, among which Cheney Newton appeared as George Washington and Miss Mabel Bigelow as Martha. Mr. Newton wore a coat of Washington's time and Miss Bigelow was quaintly gowned. A flag pyramid and the Goddess of Liberty were among the other tableauxs. Amusing numbers were the singing of "John Brown's Body" and the tableaux, "An Industrial Medley." There were readings by Miss Dunnum and Miss Alice Hicks. Mrs. G. W. Sherman sang. Miss Tarbell gave a paper on "Patriotism expressed in a Painting and a Song," referring to the large portrait of Washington in the town hall and the national hymn, "The Star Spangled Banner," after which the song was rendered by Miss Alice Sawin, and children of the center school singing the chorus of the last stanza and waving flags. At the close the audience rose and sang "America." After the entertainment choice confectionery was passed to all present, given by Dr. S. A. Fisk. Dancing, in which old and young participated, closed the entertainment.

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WALES.

Old Landmark Destroyed.

The old Stephen Fiske house on the Palmer road, about a quarter of a mile from the village, was entirely destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning. For many years the house was owned and occupied by the late Ira M. Nelson, and by his widow had been leased to John Fisher, who occupied it with his mother and a housekeeper. His brother, A. F. Fisher, is ill with pneumonia and Mrs. Fisher was spending the night with him. The fire gained a good start before being discovered and Mr. Fisher and his housekeeper had little time to spare in escaping from the building. The house and contents were a total loss. The loss is estimated at $2000, with $900 insurance on the building and none on the furniture. The house was one of the oldest in town and was a landmark.

Mrs. Lodisa Braman, who has been sick, is recovering.

Albert Fisher, the local tinsmith, is very ill with pneumonia.

The Davis class was entertained Saturday evening by W. W. Main of Boston, secretary of the Massachusetts Baptist Sunday school association. He gave an illustrated lecture on Holland. Sunday Mr. Main visited the Baptist Sunday school and gave an address, and in the evening gave another illustrated lecture on the work of the association.

WARREN.

A. P. Lee has been visiting at his home in Worcester.

Miss Anna H. Durkin of Boston has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Hitchcock.

The high school building was thoroughly inspected Tuesday by inspectors in the employ of the state inspector of buildings, John M. Dyson. The condition of the air in the rooms was tested, and all the new ventilation apparatus looked over, as well as the changes in the stairways and doors.

H. N. Shepard was overturned in his sleigh Sunday afternoon while driving toward South Warren, near the house of A. N. Tuttle, and his horse ran until stopped in Sturbridge, after a three-mile run. Mr. Shepard escaped with slight injuries, and little damage was done to the horse and sleigh.

Herbert B. Carpenter, 45, died Wednesday evening at his home on the Brimfield road, about three miles out of Warren village, after a ten-days' illness with double pneumonia with complications He was one of the most prosperous farmers of the town. He was a member of the Congregational church, and had served as deacon for four years. He was also a member of the Grange. He is survived by a widow, a young son, Roy, and a brother, Frank N. Carpenter of Palmer. The funeral will be held at the home tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The fourth quarterly conference of the First Methodist church was held Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. G. Richardson, the presiding elder, being present. The following officers for the ensuing year were chosen. Trustees, Henry Green, John J Lycett, Charles H. Burt, W. Cary Gage, William S. Tisdale, Edward Price, D. E, Graves, Frank M. Gilbert and R. Freeman Clark; stewards, Almon Whitaker, Frank P. Warren, Charles T. Waters, Audrew P. Van Slyke, A. Woodard, John M. Van Slyke, Charles A. Burgess, H. A. Perry, Wilson G Rixford, Herbert P. Johnson, William Hallows, Mrs. Mary L. Woodard and Mrs. Mabel Clark.

WEST WARREN.

Mayotte—Brodeur.

Miss Louise Mayotte of West Warren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Mayotte of Three Rivers, and Frank Brodeur were married in St. Thomas's church Monday morning at 9, Rev. Phillas Trottier officiating. The bride was given away by her father, and Tuffield Brodeur, father of the groom, acted as best man. The bride was gowned in nun's veiling trimmed with white silk, and wore a picture hat and veil. After the ceremony the couple were driven to the home of the groom's father on the Gilbertville road, where a wedding dinner was served. After a short wedding trip they will reside at the home of Mr. Brodeur's father.

Miss Gertrude L. Moody is the guest of friends in Providence, R. I., for a few weeks.

Miss Blanche Trembly of Worcester is the guest of her cousin, Miss Eliza Lapierre on North Main street.

Pierre Hamel has opened a shoe repair shop in the vacant store in the rear of H. H. Herbert's grocery store over the Chinese laundry on North street.

Mrs Jane Miller, wife of George Miller, was badly scalded on the face and head by hot water and steam yesterday noon, while putting some clothes of her washing in a boiler.

Frank Elmer has sold his farm on the Thorndike road to Joseph Cradneaux of West Brimfield. Mr. Elmer has moved to West Warren, where he is employed as baggage master at the depot.

The fourth quarterly conference of the official board of the Methodist church was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Moody on High street Sunday night, after a preaching service by the presiding elder, Rev. W. G. Richardson. These trustees were elected for the coming year: Charles O. Walker, James C. Grant, Andrew Martin, George A. Moody, James Chapman, Everett E. Kendall, Robert Love, Alexander D Kennedy, George E Rycroft; stewards, Charles O. Walker, George A. Moody, Edward G. Johnson, George E. Rycroft, James T. Campbell, William Kean, Robert Tait, Charles Heidel, John McFarlane. The present membership is 118, a gain of 19 over last year. During the year three of the members died and three took their letters to other churches, and 25 members were added to to the church, 16 by confession of faith and nine by letters. The reports of the officers of the different societies were read and showed excellent results

Startling But True.

People the world over were horrified on learning of the burning of a Chicago theater in which nearly six hundred people lost their lives, yet more than five times this number or over 3000 people died from pneumonia in Chicago during the same year, with scarcely a passing notice. Every one of these cases of pneumonia resulted from a cold and could have been prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. A great many who had every reason to fear pneumonia have warded it off by the prompt use of this remedy. The following is an instance of this sort: "Too much cannot be said in favor of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and especially for colds and influenza I know that it cured my daughter, Laura, of a severe cold, and I believe saved her life when she was threatened with pneumonia." W. D Wilcox, Logan, New York. Sold by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

WARE.

The Study Club met Wednesday evening at the Mansion House with W. H. Weiss. Dr. G. A. Blodgett acted as chairman and H. K. Hyde read a paper on "The use and development of our highways."

The board of registrars held a meeting last evening. The next meeting will be held March 9, from 7 30 to 9, and will be in session at the district court room on the final day for registration, March 18, from 12 noon to 10 p. m.

Henry O. Draper, James Mahoney, George H. Coney, Maurice O'Connor, Worthington C. Marsh and Charles O. Buffington have been drawn as jurors for the United States circuit court, which opens in Boston on March 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Michelman of Eddy street entertained a large party of their friends at their home Sunday evening, when the engagement was announced of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth L., to Barney L. Michelman of Northampton.

Nenameseck tribe of Red Men will hold a concert and masquerade ball in the town hall next Thursday evening with music by Misses Brunelle & Canavan's orchestra, seven pieces. Prizes will be offered for the best costume of the men and of the women.

Judge and Mrs. Henry C. Davis were pleasantly surprised at their home on Elm street Wednesday evening by a party of 20, comprising the members of the Married People's Whist Club. The evening was pleasantly spent in playing whist for the special prizes which were brought along, and refreshments were served late in the evening.

T. J. Freeburn, who recently resigned his position with the George H. Gilbert Manufacturing Company, has removed his household goods to West Somerville. Mr. Freeburn has bought the Boston and Suburban laundry in that place and will conduct the business which gives employment to some 50 hands and half a dozen teams. Mr. Freeburn is succeeded in the office of the Gilbert company by E. J. Braunigan, who in turn is succeeded by Fred Sharpe Jr.

Louis Berthieume, 65, died at his home on Otis avenue last Saturday after a long illness. He is survived by a widow and four sons, Stanislaus of Spencer, Felix, Odillon and Eleazar of Ware, and three daughters, Mrs. Alexander Dion and Mrs. Joseph Hugron of Ware and Mrs. Alexander Leclair of Spencer. The funeral was held Monday morning in Mt. Carmel church and burial was in Mt. Carmel cemetery. Mr. Berthieume was a veteran of the Civil War, enlisting at Worcester in 1862 as a member of the 15th Massachusetts volunteers.

Uncle John—"So you don't like your teacher, Raymond?" Raymond (savagely) —"No, I don't. I wisht he was at the bottom of the sea!" Uncle John—"Oh, come now, Raymond! That's too much to say." Raymond—"Well, I wisht he was at the bottom of Jones's mill pond, then."—Exchange.

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TOWN OF PALMER.

COLLECTOR'S SALE FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES.

The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate situate in the town of Palmer in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public, are hereby notified that the taxes thereon severally assessed for the years hereinafter specified, according to the lists committed to me as collector of taxes for said town of Palmer by the assessors of taxes, remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land sufficient to satisfy said taxes with interest and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of said land, if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof, will be offered for sale by public auction in front of the brick building situate on Church street in the Depot Village of said Palmer, owned by the Palmer Savings Bank, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March, A. D. 1905, at 2 30 of the clock in the afternoon for the payment of said taxes with interest costs and charges thereon, unless the same shall be previously discharged.

Heirs of William Hancock, otherwise known as the heirs of William E. Hancock.

A certain tract or parcel of land in said Palmer bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a stake and stones at the northwest corner of said lot on the highway leading from Palmer Depot to Warren, thence north 3° west eight rods to a pine tree, thence east 11° south fourteen rods to stake and stones, thence south 3° east eight rods to stake and stones on the highway, thence on said highway west 11° north fourteen rods to the first-named boundary, containing one hundred and twelve rods of land, be the same more or less, with all appurtenances appertaining to the same, reserving however the right to the use of the spring of water on the same for the use of buildings formerly of A.V. and J. D. Blanchard, and being the same premises conveyed by deed of Alonzo V. and John D Blanchard to said William E. Hancock, dated the eleventh day of June, 1859, recorded with Hampden Registry, Book 208, page 366.

Also a certain other parcel of land situate in said Palmer, bounded and described as follows, to wit:—Commencing at the northeast corner of land now owned by said Hancock at a stake and stones, thence easterly 14 52 rods to a stake and stones, thence south 1½° west 58 rods to a stake and stones, thence westerly on the highway leading from Palmer Depot to the poor farm, being north 68° and 50' west 14.16 rods to the southeast corner of said Hancock land at a stake and stones, thence northerly on the line of said Hancock land to the first mentioned bound, containing 97 rods more or less, and being the same premises conveyed by the inhabitants of the town of Palmer to said Hancock by deed dated the 21st day of March, 1861 and recorded with Hampden Registry, Book 227, page 494.

Taxes of 1902,	$9.31
Taxes of 1903,	8.41
Taxes of 1904,	7.65

CHARLES R. SHAW.

A certain tract or parcel of land situate in said Palmer, bounded and described as follows: "Beginning and bounded northerly on land now or formerly of Christopher Boyle, George Gould and others; westerly by land formerly of John Strickland; southerly on land formerly of John Shaw; easterly by land formerly of Elbridge Blair, it being the estate of the late Samuel Shaw, decease, and is the homestead which I now occupy, containing 320 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Michael McBride to myself dated April 25, 1871, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 280, Page 395, and containing 55 acres more or less. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a warranty deed from Elizabeth Cox, bounded easterly by my other land and land of T. & L. Brown; northerly, westerly and southerly by said Browns, containing 64 acres more or less, said deed dated March 9, 1869, recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 267, Page 180. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer, fully described in a warranty deed from O. B. Owen, dated October 27, 1865 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 238, Page 26. Also one other parcel of land situate in Palmer aforesaid, and is fully described in a warranty deed from Mary A Bliss and others, dated November 23, 1863, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 236, Page 276. Also one other parcel of land situate in said Palmer and is fully described in a Quitclaim deed from Martin Shaw to Samuel Shaw, dated January 14, 1848, and entered for record in Hampden County Deeds on June 4, 1898 Also the estate situate in said Palmer and fully described in two deeds from Alfred K. Shaw and others, dated January 21 and 22, 1869, and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, that dated January 21, in Book 267, Page 181, and that dated January 22, in Book 413, Page 169. Also another parcel of land situate in said Palmer and containing 8 acres more or less, situate north of the "Merrick Lot," meaning and intending hereby to convey my whole estate as described in aforesaid deeds wheresoever situated and howsoever bounded and described. Excepting and reserving therefrom a certain tract of land sold by me to Packard and Lawton by my warranty deed dated December 12th, 1901, and also one other tract sold by me to Arthur F. Thayer by my warranty deed dated January 27th, 1903 and recorded in Hampden County Deeds, Book 654, Page 442."

Taxes of 1903,	$18.10
Taxes of 1904,	51.85

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Collector of Taxes for the Town of Palmer.

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Gray Double-Coated Sterling-Aluminum Enameled Ware

TEA POTS, 2-qt., 30c; 3qt.... 35c
COFFEE POTS, 2 qt., 30c; 3-qt., 35c; 4-qt., 38c
TEA KETTLES, No. 8 68c
LIPPED SAUCEPANS, 1 qt., 10c; 1½-qt., 13c; 2-qt., 15c; 2½-qt., 18c; 4-qt., 24c; 5 qt.,25c; 6-qt 29c
LIPPED PRESERVING KETTLES, 1½-pt, 13c; 2-qt., 15c; 3-qt., 18c; 5-qt., 25c; 6-qt, 29c; 8-qt., 35c; 10-qt., 42c; 12-qt, 49c; 14 qt 62c
DISH PANS, 10-qt., 37c; 14-qt., 45c
PUDDING PANS, ½-qt., 10c; 1-qt., 10c; 1½-qt., 10c; 2-qt., 13c; 3-qt., 15c; 4-qt., 17c; 6-qt 21c
WASH BASINS, medium size 14c; large size 18c
MEASURING CUPS 10c
WATER PAILS, 10 qt., 48c; 12-qt, 62c
DRINKING CUPS 10c
BASTING SPOONS, 12-in., 7c; 14-in.,8c
SOAP DISHES 10c
PIE PLATES, 9 and 10-in 10c
LADLES 10c
CUP DIPPERS 12c
RICE BROILERS, 2-qt., 55c; 3-qt. 69c
FRY PANS, medium size, 25c; large size 29c

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PLATES, 4-inch, 3c; 6-inch, 4c; 7-inch, 5c; 8-inch, 5c; 7-inch, deep 5c
HANDLED TEA CUPS AND SAUCERS 5c
HANDLED COFFEE CUPS AND SAUCERS 7c
COMBINETS, large size 79c
PLATTERS. 6-inch, 6c; 10-inch, 14c; 12-inch, 23c; 14-inch, 33c; 16-inch 48c

White Semi-Porcelain Ware

PITCHERS, 8c, 9c, 15c, 21c and 29c
CHAMBERS, with covers, 35c; without covers 25c
BOWLS AND PITCHERS, large size 79c
MIXING BOWLS, small, 5c, medium, 10c; large, 15c; extra large 23c
ROUND WHITE NAPPIES, 4-inch, 5c; 5-inch, 6c; 6-inch, 8c; 7-inch, 9c; 8 inch, 14c; 9-inch 21c
FRUIT DISHES, 4-inch 3c
OVAL BAKERS, 7-inch, 9c; 8 inch 14c
DECORATED WATER PITCHERS, 2-qt 25c
DECORATED BAKE PLATES 10c

Wooden Ware

CLOTHES WRINGERS, wooden frame $1.83
WILLOW CLOTHES BASKETS, small, 44c; medium, 49c; large 62c
WILLOW CLOTHES HAMPERS 95c
3-HOOP WATER PAILS 17c
FIBER WATER PAILS 24c
CLOTHES FRAMES, large size 19c
FOLDING IRONING TABLES $1.05
STEP LADDERS, 5-foot 75c
FLOOR BROOMS, plain handle 18c
FLOUR BUCKETS, medium size 18c
50-FOOT CLOTHES LINE 10c
DISH MOPS, medium size, 5c; large size 7c
NORTHERN QUEEN WASH BOARDS 23c
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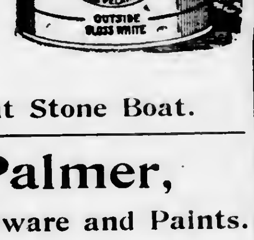

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To a friend she confided the sources of her trouble; and from this person she learned that it has always been said that a man even slightly intoxicated cannot pronounce words of any length. Whereupon the young wife decided that it would be a good plan to try this test.

When next the friend met the young wife, the latter was in a state of great agitation. Asked if her suspicions had been verified, the girl burst into tears, and said that they had.

"I handed him this list," she said between sobs, fishing from her pocket a paper which she gave to her friend, and which contained the following words:—

Phthisis, photochromy, gnomiometrical hypochondriasis, parachronism, phlegmasia dolens, syncategorematic, antinomianism, pseudaesthesia.

"And," she continued, while her friend read the list, "he missed nearly half of them."—Everywhere.

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IN PALMER.

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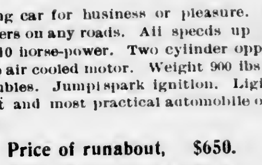

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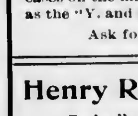

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$200 will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale.

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By DAVID F. DILLON, its Attorney.
Palmer, Mass., February 10th, 1905. 46-3

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The Only Survivor

of the Hayes Arctic Expedition, Mr. S. J. McCormick, now U S. Deputy Mineral Surveyor, Bliss Station, Idaho, says: "For years I have suffered from severe pains in the hip joint and back bone, depriving me of all power. The cause was Stone in the Bladder and Gravel in the Kidneys After using Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Rondout, N. Y., I was completely cured.

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"No," she declared, "I will never marry any man who hasn't grit enough to go and ask papa for me." "That's all right, but you ought to remember that your father has a weak heart, and sudden joy has often been known to prove fatal in such cases."—Chicago Herald.

A Russian has devised a means for preserving dead bodies by embalming them in glass. The body is first covered with a thin coating of liquid glass. It is then placed in a mold and melted glass poured around it. The body thus becomes inclosed in an airtight, solid and transparent mass of glass, and would be preserved indefinitely.

White—"There was no lack of color in the afternoon I put in to-day." Black—"How's that?" White—"Well, Brown took me for a ride in his Red Devil with a blue humorist and a green chauffeur, and we spent the time in a whitewashed cell reading a yellow newspaper, while waiting for him to raise the greenbacks to pay the fine."—Life.

In an Opera Box

By Lilian C. Paschal

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The great hotel facing the park was an obelisk of light flecks. Motor cars came and went noisily under the wide porte cochere.

Back of the large hostelry and across a narrow alley a white girlish face banked with pillows looked out wistfully from the one narrow window of a third floor back at these evidences of life and gayety, listening to the orchestra.

Suddenly the music burst into a wild tropical air from "Carmen," a very revel of life and youth and lusty, red blooded joy. The invalid buried her tired eyes in the soft pillows, and her thin shoulders shook. Shaken by the tempest of sobs, a crutch that had been leaning against the bedside rattled to the floor.

"Oh, I can bear their old ragtime things without a shiver," she cried. "but the opera airs—they break my heart! And now I shall never sing them again—I know I shan't!"

The incoherent cry went straight through the open window like a winged arrow, across the alleyway in the grand hotel, and lodged deep in the sick heart of a listener there. Its note of suffering and aching longing needed no interpreter. That is a universal language understood alike in palace and tenement.

John Wixton had been staring moodily out of the darkened shadows of his unlighted room into the still darker shadows of a future that looked gloomy indeed to his usually careless, sunny eyes. He had been hard hit—there was no doubt of that—and the girl's refusal of him had cut deep. He had been so sure of her—too sure, perhaps—but he had thought he could not be mistaken in that warm light in her eyes that had set his heart on fire all these weeks.

"The light that lies in woman's eyes—and lies—and lies—and lies!" he sneered miserably, sitting there in the dark. "Curse the whole sex, anyway, and their deceitful wiles!" And his clinched hands thumped the window sill fiercely. He had mooned over her like a maundering idiot, he told himself hotly, and now she was engaged, so her mother had told him the last time he called, to Billy Lunders and his millions—principally the latter, he thought.

Lord! There was that beastly chansonnette from "Carmen" again—could he never escape the thing?—the song that breathed so horribly of her in every seductive note. She had worn a red rose in her hair, too, that night he first met her with the Van Lorns. He could smell that rose now.

Tonight "Carmen" was on the bill again. He recalled dully that he had the same box for this performance, intending to take her and show her he remembered that first night so long ago. She had said men always forgot the dates a woman remembered. He had meant to tell her of his loving little surprise that evening. Was it only a week ago? How could he ever bear to hear an opera again? Curse it. He would get out of this sickening old New York and go west—to Chicago—anywhere.

"These opera airs—they break my heart!" broke in the sobbing cry from the window across the alley. John raised his head to listen. "Same here, kid," he muttered heavily. "It's that same girl—poor little beggar! She does have a devil of a time of it, lying there all day with hot water bags and things around her. It's a shame!"

"I want to be back there on the stage again," went on the voice, "singing with the rest of the chorus. I was a village maiden in 'Carmen,' you know, Mrs. Beebe." To the conscious pride in this already well known fact there came an indistinct murmur of consolation from the dark interior of the little room.

"And maybe some day I might have been a Sembrich or a Melba, my own self—the master said so—and now my back's hurt, and I'll never sing again. I know it! If I could only go just once and hear it all again I think maybe I could bear it better, but to be penned in here all the time like a rat with the snappers of a trap caught over his back—it's too"— The rest was lost in the infolding pillow.

The man in the darkened window across the way suddenly stood up, turned on the light and squared his shoulders like a soldier ready for marching. "I'll do it!" he said grimly. "I'll not run away like a coward. I'll face this thing out. I've got to go through it some time, and I might as well begin now. I'll go right to that same box and fight it out. And, what's more, I'm going to take that child along. She'll probably look a fright, and people will stare, but hang the people!"

He took his hat and overcoat and hurried from the room. At the office he stopped to give an order for an auto cab.

Twenty minutes later he was bowling toward Broadway with his strange little companion, still breathless over the wondrous angel in evening clothes whose determination had carried all opposition before him. Even the fat landlady had been subdued into deference and helped to dress her quickly so as not to keep the young gentleman waiting.

Wixton glanced down at her thin little face, sharpened by suffering; at her two crutches and her simple white frock. To his surprise, she appeared tastefully gowned.

She told him quite simply, with a little pathetic quaver in her voice, about her ambition to be a great singer; how she had fallen through a trapdoor left carelessly open by the stage hands one night after the opera was over and had been in the charity ward of a hospital, where they had not seemed able to cure her; how she could walk only a little way without hurting.

When they reached the opera house the first act was nearly over.

Wixton gathered up her slight form and strode up the wide stairway as if his burden were a baby. At the door of the box he halted. It was slightly ajar. "Sold the other seats?" he questioned of the usher.

"Only one to a lady," answered that worthy and volunteered further the whispered information that she was a queer one—"came with a party in the fourth box farther down and came out ill and went away. After a bit she came back with a ticket for a seat in this one."

When Wixton ushered his charge into the box he found, to his surprise, that the place was unlighted. The curtain had just closed on the first act, and the solitary occupant was shrinking into the farthest corner as though seeking to avoid observation.

John reached out to press the electric button and turned in the blaze of light to confront the woman who had refused him the week before. His lips tightened, and his face went white.

"Eunice! You here?"

The woman turned a lovely pale face up to him entreatingly without speaking. This unlooked for contretemps had destroyed her poise, woman of the world though she was, and left her as excited and embarrassed as a schoolgirl. There were traces of tears about the dark eyes, hollow from sleeplessness. Her soft white throat worked in the stress of emotion, and her bosom rose and fell pantingly.

At last she found her voice. It was low and tremulous, and at the thrilling sweetness of it the man's heavy heart pounded like a mad thing behind his immaculate shirt front.

"Jack," she whispered, "if you don't forgive me and love me I shall die. I never dreamed till mamma made me send you away how dreadfully I cared, and I never was engaged to Billy Lunders at all. I couldn't be—not if the whole family rose up to slay me."

The orchestra began the overture to the next act. The wild, gypsy motif of the immortal opera rose and bathed them in its melting torrents of love made into music. The little cripple was leaning over the edge of the box waiting breathlessly for the curtain to rise on the familiar scene she loved.

"Jack, darling—hear it! That music has been killing me till you came! Do you remember that night we—"

John reached out an audacious thumb and pressed the button on the wall. As the box was enveloped in darkness he crushed her close in his arms, unable to say one word.

On their way home in the carriage, when Eunice had been told the little cripple's story, she laughed tenderly in her new found joy, so nearly lost, and, with one jeweled hand in John's and the other caressing the young girl's pale cheek, said with a confidence that the future proved not unfounded:

"I shall take care of her, her voice, her future and her back. I know a great doctor who can straighten out this little one's tangles, even as she has been the means of unsnarling the dreadful knot in my web of fate."

Barry Sullivan and the Amateur.

The famous tragedian, Barry Sullivan, took his art so seriously that it was very seldom indeed that he perpetrated a joke on the stage, although when away from the theater he was one of the most humorous of men. On one occasion, however, Sullivan could not resist the temptation of giving an apt retort to an amateur who, as Ratcliff to his Richard III., had quite overlooked the necessity of committing his words to memory.

"During the early part of the tragedy," says Mr. Robert M. Sillard in his "Life of Barry Sullivan," "this too confident amateur strutted agreeably and elicited applause from his friends in the front. In the tent scene he screwed up his energies, and when Sullivan, as Richard, started from his knees at the conclusion of his comments on his dream, exclaiming, 'Who's there?' Ratcliff in his excitement stammered out the answer:

"'Tis I, my lord. The early village cock'—and then abruptly stopped, having apparently forgotten the next line—i. e., 'Hath twice done salutation to the morn.'

"Sullivan surveyed the stultified aspect of his officer for a few seconds with a sardonic grin, as if enjoying his agony, and at length growled out in an audible tone:

"'Why don't you crow, then?'"

Nurturing a Cheerful Spirit.

Lucky was the patient in Cedarville who could secure the services of Aunty Bond as his nurse, but he must make up his mind that while all his wants would receive due attention and he would have a fair amount of coddling there were some things in which he could not count on having his own way.

"Now, you just take that look off your face, won't you?" she half coaxed, half commanded a man who was recovering from pneumonia. "You aren't half as sick as you were a month ago. Let your thoughts dwell on that, and let 'em dwell on this: There's lots o' folks outdoors a-falling from the tops o' buildings and a-getting run into and over by automobiles and contraptions of all sorts, besides those that are yielding to temptation o' various kinds and being sent to jail and then to states prison. And while all these dreadful things are going on outside, what is happening to you? You are getting well at home, in peace and plenty, and, what's more, in as handsome a walnut bedstead as there is in all Cedarville.

"You let your mind dwell on these things a minute, and then you turn over and go to sleep."

To Him It Was.

Mr. Bug—Gee! I thought it was a gentlemanly profession to be an artist. I call it downright labor!—New York Evening Journal.

He'll Risk It.

She—If you eat all that candy up, ma sez you'll die.

He (ecstatically)—Oh, death, w'ere is thy sting?—Chicago American.

Excess and Deficiency.

Error and evil are located in deficiency or excess. Even excess in virtue is evil, an excess of humility being abjectness; of courage, rashness; of prudence, cowardice; of patience, indifference; of economy, parsimony; of generosity, waste; of deference, obsequiousness. And so also an excess of learning is pedantry; of ease, indolence; of comfort, self indulgence; of zeal, fanaticism. Right and justice are found in moderation, in the golden mean, in the true balance, between overdoing and underdoing, going too fast and too slow.—From "Balance: The Fundamental Verity," by Orlando J. Smith.

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The Station Agent At Alpena Station

[Original.]

Phil Carlton when nineteen years old married a country girl and took a position on the railroad as brakeman. The road ran through a semicivilized country. Phil's family lived in a log cabin. Children came pleuteously, demanding food and clothes, and life was generally unattractive. Once in five years Phil would make an application for a better position, but three applications only brought the post of baggage agent at a new station opened near his cabin with starvation wages. After this he frequently made applications for something better till the superintendent became weary of reading them and resolved to put a stop to them.

Up the road was a station, Alpena, near which lived a gang of men who succeeded in always riding free. The way they managed it was this: A grim countenance with a background of shocky hair and a sombrero would appear at the window and ask for a ticket. The agent would do the necessary stamping and throw the ticket down, mentioning the amount due. The applicant would pick up the ticket and walk away without making any payment. The agent knew if he declined to submit to this one sided way of doing business the applicant would poke a revolver through the opening and begin to shoot.

The superintendent on receipt of Phil's last application wrote him that in view of his long and faithful service on the road he was promoted to be station agent at Alpena. The writer chuckled as he dictated the letter and congratulated himself upon not in future being troubled by the baggageman's applications. As for Phil, he knew all about the gang's operations and saw at once that unless he collected the fares he would be removed. If he collected them, he must take his chances of being shot. He thought the matter over, resolved to accept the situation and made his preparations accordingly.

Since Phil had been known in the country roundabout as a peaceable, plodding fellow, so soon as the gang heard of his appointment they made up their minds to make more frequent and longer trips. The second morning after the new agent took his place in the office one of their number walked up to the hole and asked for a ticket.

"Five dollars and thirty cents," said Phil in a feeble voice.

"Gimme the ticket. I don't pay till I git the goods," gald the man, lazily drawing a weapon from his hip.

Quick as a flash a revolver was thrust through the hole from within, a shot rang out, and the applicant for a ticket dropped dead.

There was no one else in the station at the time, and Phil, going to the baggage room, took out an oblong box, put the corpse in it, nailed down the lid, tacked a card on it on which was written the address of the superintendent and sent it by the next train, with a railway ticket and $5.30 inclosed in an envelope. On a piece of paper he wrote to go with the rest:

Ticket sold this morning. Not used. Don't know what to do with it or the money, so forward them to you. Corpse of the applicant in baggage car. Shall I kill any more of 'em?

PHIL CARLTON,
Station Agent, Alpena.

When the superintendent read this note and learned from the bearer that there was a coffin shaped box in the baggage room awaiting his orders he was more astonished than if he had been informed that the whole line of the road had been swallowed by an earthquake. He walked the floor for awhile in deep meditation, then took Phil's note to the president.

That afternoon there was a meeting of the board of directors, with the road's attorney in attendance, who assured them that since Phil had not received nor could prove that he had received orders to kill any applicant for a ticket who refused to pay his fare, none of them would be liable to be arrested and tried for murder. Phil was alone responsible; but, considering the lawless state of the country and the character of the unsuccessful applicant for a free ride, it was not believed that the man who had shot him would be molested.

The body was sent back to Alpena for burial, and Phil was directed not to kill any more deadhead ticket applicants.

But Phil did not need to kill any more of them. The others, taking warning from the fate of their companion, found it unnecessary to travel often thereafter on the road and when they did, not being sure but the station agent, fearing that they had come to practice their former methods, would shoot to kill, always paid their fare on the train. Indeed Phil Carlton's administration of the affairs of Alpena station proved so satisfactory that he was summoned to the main office with a view to determining if he were not capable of filling some important position. Not being an educated man, this was not to be considered. So Phil was made superintendant of stations, at a salary of $3,500 a year. When the lawless citizens along the line interfered with the company's interests he was sent to overawe them. This was all that was required of him, and as his exploit at Alpena had made him famous as a fighter he was never obliged to fight. His presence alone was quite sufficient to restore the refractory to their senses.

Gradually the country along the line of the road became civilized, and Phil's occupation being gone, he was retired on two-thirds' pay. Meanwhile he had removed to a comfortable home, which he now owns. His children were educated, and his boy was taken into the railroad service and advanced rapidly.

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All He Said.

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Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, FEB 22, 1905

Business has reached the stage in the Legislature where something important comes up every day. The committee hearings are in full blast and remarkable headway has been made. They are reaching the ends of their dockets rapidly, as far as hearings are concerned, and if the sessions do not yet occupy all of the afternoon of the House, yet many matters are disposed of, and the calendar is kept short. Speaker Frothingham pushes business vigorously, while President Dana, conducting the deliberations of the august Senate, puts on much less distressful pomposity and orotundity than some previous presiding officers and gets through the calendar with business-like expedition. Unless something occurs which is not in sight yet, the session will be short.

Under the lead of the state board of trade, nominally, there is a movement to get biennial elections for the state officers and members of the Legislature on the off years, leaving congressional and presidential elections as they are now, and thus having elections every year. Some think that this measure will get the support of the former biennial agitators, plus those who would like separate discussions of state issue on off years. The truth is that there seems to be but little interest in the movement. Only Charles E. Adams, president of the state board of trade, and Edwin L. Sprague spoke for it, while Gamaliel Bradford and representatives of the labor interests appeared against it.

The entire body of organized labor is up in arms for annual sessions as the necessary means of progress toward attainment of its rights. At the same time, the popular majority of 50,000 against biennials in 1896 and other things have made a difference in the situation. One of the prominent Republican leaders in the Legislature from western Massachusetts says that the support for biennials is not as strong there as it was in 1896. No interest is shown here in biennials and our present system seems likely to continue as long as it has defenders, which will be for a very long time.

One of the most discussed labor measures for the session promises to be the petition for change in the law so that women and minor clerks may serve in retail stores during the Christmas holidays. The petitioners have put in a pretty strong case, but the remonstrants have not yet had their full say, although they have been heard in part. There seems to be a marked difference between the large cities outside of Boston and the Hub and its suburbs Worcester, Springfield, Haverhill and other more separated cities made out quite a plausible case that the law of last year, forbidding such work during the Christmas season, was an injury to the merchants and to their clerks alike, to say nothing of the convenience of the public, and that both classes would be glad to have the former privilege restored. But then came in the labor unions and the philanthropists and showed that there was another and important side of the case. Testimony was positive that the health of the young women clerks was improved by preventing their working evenings in the stores. It was noticeable that the Worcester and Springfield people did not bring any support from Boston for their petition, while the opposition came largely from Boston. This illustrates again how different conditions are in the Hub from those in other cities and how the feeling of the people is different.

But little headway, if any, is made in getting a floral emblem for the state. A while ago, the sentiment was for the trailing arbutus. Then the golden rod had the pole of popular favor. But that did not finally get the crown,—perhaps it might be said, did not win the laurel,—and then the promoters tried to have the mountain laurel given the honor. But now that has received a unanimous adverse report and doubtless this will be accepted. Somehow, worked-up sentiment for a flower which has not established its position, does not commend itself to the members, and does not promise to.

Perhaps the woman suffrage people will make a contest on their proposition that women may vote in municipal affairs, or have the right to take part in caucuses for the nomination of members of the school committee. But they have given up their contention, for this year, on the word "male" in the state constitution, which they want to have stricken out. When the unanimously adverse report of the committee on constitutional amendments was taken up in the House yesterday, not a solitary member said a word on it, and it was not even passed for debate on the first call of the calendar. It seems as if the women must have been much discouraged by this unanimous report, which has never occurred before since the petition first came to the statehouse, as far as memory serves, and they evidently thought that it was not worth while to spend their strength under such unpromising circumstances. But the other suffrage matters mentioned are still pending and they have abundant opportunity to make their contention on them, if they choose.

The innholders have not yet shown their hand, whether or not they will try to have a bill substituted for the adverse report of the liquor law committee on their petition that they may be allowed to serve liquor to their guests till midnight. The report of seven to four against the petition is not what was expected early in the game, for there was an understanding that the committee stood eight to three in favor of the petition, and if five votes were changed from the innholders' side to the side of the temperance people, then it is strong testimony to the activity of the temperance people and to the strength of the forces which they can put in action. If they could do as much as that with the committee, it looks as if they would be able to manage a majority of the Senate and House. On a straight liquor fight the temperance people always win.

Civil service reform people are pushing their cause of extending the system to the counties, and though they have not carried their point this year, there are signs that they will push it next year. Now they have obviously got the ear of some newspaper editorial managers and are trying to persuade the public,—which is all legitimate. But some of this comment, which seems to come from them, is rather harsh, especially where it is said that about every county has a county ring and that the men who opposed the change were members of county rings. Most of the opposition came from Worcester county and the counties beyond, though county commissioners from Bristol and Plymouth were also there in opposition. But the case made out against the change, as far as these counties in the west were concerned, was so strong that the counsel for the civil service reform people himself said that there would be no need of reform if all counties were as clean. The trouble is that some of the business in this part of the state is rotten, and that is where the need of reform comes in. The truth will not be hurt by being frank about it.

The liquor law committee is unanimous against the petition that the liquor license fees be divided equally between the counties and the state. Of course the purpose of the petitioners is to take away from the cities and towns the temptation to sell the privilege of doing a liquor business in order to put money into the city or town treasury. That is the motive openly urged in Boston every year in the big advertisements just before the city election that about $1,500,000 is paid for licenses every year, and that the city cannot afford to lose the money because it would make taxes so high. But the effort has been made once or twice before and the desire of the cities and towns to keep all their license money is so strong that it is useless, for the present, to think of taking it away from them.

To-day Gov. Douglas held his first reception on the birthday of the Father of His Country, and its success overtopped that of any previous similar occasion. The hours were from 11 o'clock till 12 30. But the people came in such a crowd that there was no break till seven minutes before 1 o'clock, when the doors were closed. The highest attendance at any previous reception was at that of Gov. Bates in 1903, when it was 3177. Next highest was that of Gov. Greenhalge in 1894, when 2653 came. This year, when the time was up at 12 30, there had been 3315 through, and when the doors were closed the number was 4175. So Gov. Douglas was an easy winner. Extra attractions were offered. Big palms decorated the corners and windows. Vases of roses and carnations stood on the center table. The orchestra of the 8th regiment hand gave sweet music, and Lieut. Gen. Miles, in the full uniform of a lieutenant general of the United States army, besides the full staff in gold and trappings, was present. Very few of the state officials were present. But the militia organizations were out in force, as represented by their officers. Gen. Clark, and staff, Gen. Whitney and staff, Col. Donovan of the 9th regiment, Col. Oakes of the 5th, Lieut. Col. Bailey of the 8th and their officers, Lieut. Col. Admands of the 1st corps of cadets, the officers of the 2d corps, the lancers, naval brigade, artillery, Roxbury horseguards and others, making a very full representation of the military arm of the state. But very few of the Democratic leaders were present. Charles S. Hamlin was there, Ex-Senator W. T. A. Fitzgerald of Boston bought in a group of the Democratic ward chairmen, but the prominent Democrats did not come. But there was a great outpouring of the miscellaneous public and that was the main thing. President Dana and Speaker Frothingham were both there, and a few members of the Legislature. LANDON.

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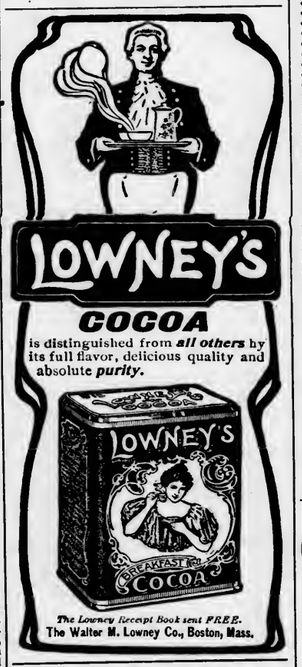

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A part of the copy for the town reports is in the hands of the printer, and from it some interesting figures and information is to be had. The most significant feature is the report of the selectmen that they have finished the year without an overdraft in any department of their affairs. Neither have they been obliged to ask for money other than that appropriated at the annual meeting. This is in marked contrast to some previous years, when overdrafts have been numerous and in some instances heavy. It is possible that the vote last spring—ordering the treasurer to pay no overdrafts of appropriation—has had a material influence on the result, but the town's business as a whole seems to have been economically administered. There is a balance in the treasury of $3610.80. The appropriations and payments in the departments under the charge of the selectmen have been as follows, the odd cents in each item being dropped:

	Appropriations.	Payments.
Contingencies,	$ 3,500	$ 3,049
Highways,	5,000	4,806
Bridges,	1,000	513
Sewers and Culverts,	600	518
Use of Board of Health,	800	164
Railings,	400	243
Memorial Day,	100	100
Young Men's Library Asso'n,	1,000	1,000
Street Lights,	4,500	4,500
Night Police,	1,600	1,599
Tree Warden,	50	50
Soldiers' and Sailors' Aid,	200	200
Illegal Liquor Sales,	200	
Bonds of Town Officers,	150	145
Salary of Selectmen,	450	450
Assessors,	550	550
Treasurer,	300	300
Board of Health,	100	100
Auditors,	40	40
Tax Collector,	500	500
Assessors' Card System,	95	79
New Fire Hose,	300	300
Care of Cemeteries,	200	200

The selectmen make the following recommendations, and it will be noted that they have asked for special appropriations *for several* fixed charges which have heretofore been paid from the contingent fund, and have reduced the contingent fund accordingly:

Contingencies,	$3,000
Highways,	5,000
Sewers and Culverts,	600
Bridges,	1,000
Sidewalks,	1,000
Railings,	400
Precinct Officers and Voting Places,	250
Care of Lock-up,	100
Rent of Lock-up,	90

The overseers of the poor announce a number of unusual and expensive cases during the year. They report total expenditures of $10,622, and the net cost of caring for the poor for the past year ending February 15 as $8853.10. Among the payments of the year were these: Poor not on town farm, $3779; town farm bills of 1903, $343; town farm bills of 1904, $3658; state poor, $145; poor of other towns, $474; tramp room, $262; contingencies, $942; of this latter amount, $725 was paid for a new heating apparatus and a pair of horses, both of which were an absolute necessity. For the support of the town farm orders to the amount of $3658 were drawn by the overseers and $436 was expended by the warden from the receipts of the farm; the net income of the farm was $1341, and the net cost of the farm $2753. The average cost per week per person was $2.868. Of the town farm income $701 was turned over by the warden to the town treasurer. The inventory at the farm is $3139. There was raised at the town farm during the year 275 bushels of potatoes, 65 bushels beets, 17 bushels carrots, 45 bushels parsnips, 10 bushels beans, 15 bushels peas, 25 bushels onions, 60 bushels turnips, 1000 head cabbage, two tons squash, 25 tons hay, 80 tons corn ensilage; milk sold, $366 for nine months ending January 1. There are on hand sufficient vegetables to last until the new crops are available for use, in addition to a probable surplus for sale. On account of a lack of advance knowledge of what the demands of the year will be in the various departments, the overseers are of the opinion that it would be to their advantage to have the appropriations in a lump sum, which could then be expended for support of the poor, contingencies, or whatever the necessities of the year may require, and recommend an appropriation of $8000 for the coming year.

The copy for the reports of the other town officers have not yet been made out.

Probate Court Notices.

At a session of the probate court in Springfield Wednesday the following business of local interest was transacted: Administration granted in the estates of—Michael Sullivan, late of Palmer, Daniel B. Sullivan of Palmer administrator; Albert H. Halford, late of Ludlow, Albert L. Halford of Ludlow administrator; Patrick Shea, late of Monson, Marla T. Shea of Monson administratrix; Mary P. King, late of Monson, Frank M. King of Monson administrator. Accounts allowed—Earl F. Cordner of Palmer, minor; Ethel and Blanche Adams of Wilbraham, minor; Flora Flavilla Adams of Wilbraham, minor; Reuben Sikes, late of Ludlow.

WALES.

Joseph Rock has moved his family from Connecticut into W. Royce's house on Main street.

John Lynch has moved from H. Needham's house into E. L. Needham's house on Main street.

Thomas Walsh has resigned his position in the pointry house and taken one in the mill as night watchman.

Several families who left town about a year ago are moving back, as they have secured work in the Golden-rod mill.

The Literary Club held a meeting Tuesday evening with Rev. E. B. Dolan. Supper was served during the evening.

H. Goodell has moved his family from Stafford, Ct., into the Darling house on Church street. Mr. Goodell has a position in the Golden-rod mill.

A lively horse race took place on the ice at Lake Florence Tuesday afternoon between several out of town parties and local horsemen, among whom were Dr. E. F. Ross, William McKinnon, Walter Baker and P. Gandette. William McKinnon's horse won the race, with Dr. Ross a close second.

Mrs. Mary E. Royce observed her 87th birthday Tuesday at her home in the south part of the town. Her children, Mrs. Julia Belcher, Mrs. Elizabeth Heck, Mrs. R. V. Cooke and Mrs. Ida M. Squier, with several grandchildren, spent the day with her. Mrs. Royce is the oldest person in Wales, and is very active for a person of such advanced years.

Miss C. J. Fish was home from Great Barrington over Sunday.

WITH SHERMAN TO THE SEA.

General Howard's Address Wednesday Evening in Memorial Hall.

The address of Gen. O. O. Howard in Memorial Hall Wednesday night, under the auspices of the Historical Society, was the notable event of the season and was a grand success in every way. There were fully 375 people present, every available seat being occupied, with many standing besides. The receipts of the society will more than meet all expenses, and as the General was paid $100, the society may be congratulated on the outcome of the risk which it assumed. While the personality of the speaker was a large factor in the matter, the president of the society, Mr. Cross, should be accorded his full measure of honor in crowning the result with completeness and success. The surrounding towns were well represented in the audience. The members of L. L. Merrick post were given the place of honor on the platform.

The General was received with an enthusiastic welcome by the audience, and pleasantly introduced by President Cross. The subject of the address was "Sherman's March to the Sea," and as the speaker was second in command of that most dramatic effort of the Civil War, he was able to recount the facts from personal experience and observation from start to finish. The terrible picture of war which he drew renewed in the minds of his older hearers the anxious days long passed, and proved a startling revelation to the younger class present. In quick succession you saw pass before you the first meeting of Grant, Sherman and other noted generals to plan the campaign which was to crush the rebellion, followed by the organizing of more than sixty thousand men who were to perform the work; the collection of provisions and countless other details; then the bugle call for the movement of the troops through morass, thickets, over sullen streams, rugged roadways, with wearisome days and nights of toil, harrassed by foes seen and unseen, with sharply contested forages, skirmishes, battles, interspersed with partial defeats and glorious victories for the Union arms; the sad after-scenes of the battlefield, strewn with dead and wounded, the shout of the pursuer and the sullen retreat of the defeated. The continuous onsets and rebuffs, in turn, of Johnston, Hood and Hardee till Atlanta and Savannah were captured and offered as tokens of triumph to the North, and then the sea was *reached at last, the Confederacy* was rent asunder, the plans of Sherman were a grand success.

The General kept the attention of his audience from the first, interspersing his grim recitals of war with touches of humor which seemed to relieve the tense horror of the sad picture. In closing the speaker gave a glowing tribute to Gen. Sherman, representing him as a man of upright conduct governed by a lofty purpose, which must have had the approval of Providence, because he was engaged in righteous cause.

While in Palmer, Gen. Howard was the guest of A. T. Wing, with whose family he is connected by marriage.

O. P. ALLEN.

BASKETBALL.

Monson Academy 74, Stafford High School 7.

Monson Academy won the third game in its series with Stafford High school, which was played in the Holmes gymnasium in Monson Saturday afternoon. The game was too one-sided to be interesting, the score being 74 to 7. The Monson team played an excellent game, Briggs, Hynes and Faulkner making 66 of the 74 points.

In a preliminary game Co. D of the boys' brigade defeated the Academy freshmen 23 to 18. The summaries:

Monson Academy.	Stafford High School
Briggs, l f,	r g, Ballou
Hynes, r f,	l g, Crane
Faulkner, c,	c, Shea
Rourke, l g,	r f, Hanley
English, r g,	l f, Parkhurst

Goals from floor, Briggs 13, Hynes 11, Faulkner 6, Rourke 2, English 2, Ballou, Shea. Goals from fouls, Faulkner 2, Hynes 2, Hanley 3. Referee, Dunfield. Scorer, Neville.

Co. D.	M. A., 1908
Hughes, l f,	r g, Manning
H. Gath, r f,	l g, Chico
Graves, c,	c, Hale
E. Gath, l g,	r f, Maguire
Pease, r g,	l f, Cahill

Goals from floor, Pease 4, Cahill 5, Graves 3, H. Gath 2, E. Gath 2, Manning. Goals from fouls, Cahill, Manning, Hale, H. Gath 2, Hughes. Referee, R. S. Stebbins. Timer, Hanley; scorer, Faulkner.

Thorndike Pool Matches.

The pool contest between the S. M. T. A. S. and Independents of Thorndike has fallen through on account of a lack of interest. The game has been finished at the end of the first half, which gives the Temperance Society a lead of 34 points. The following is the individual average of each man up to the end:

Charles E. Walker,	285
Camille Pero,	256
D. Bressette,	198
Michael Loftus,	188
M. F. Hurley,	174
D. J. Sullivan,	142
William Gingraw,	94
W. Laplant,	76
P. Cahill Jr.,	71
J. J. Mongeau,	40
F. Longtine,	20
T. F. Sullivan,	240
Charles Bressette,	195
M. F. Sullivan,	187
T. Longtine,	160
F. Stokes,	100
W. C. Reilley,	87
George Laplante,	74
F. Geho,	60
M. Stokes,	29
Alex Goodreau,	41
F. McIntire,	23

The pool contest between teams representing Bondsville and Thorndike is now on and promises to be of unusual interest, judging from the large number who are present at the games. The series opened at Thorndike with a close victory for the Bondsvilles by a score of 100 to 99. Last Friday evening Bondsville won the second game by a score of 100 to 82. Tuesday evening Thorndike won by a score of 100 to 70, giving the latter team a lead of 11 points. Tuesday evening at Bondsville Bondsville won 100 to 83, leaving Bondsville in the lead 6 points.

New Industry in West Warren.

The Atlas Fiber Company of Springfield, which purchased at the trustee sale in Springfield January 30 the machinery formerly owned by the F. W. Dunnell Composite Leather Company, which was installed in the old Crossman shop, now owned by John F. T. MacDonnell of Holyoke, have leased the shop from Mr. MacDonnell and have three men at work in the shop making repairs to make ready for the new machinery now being constructed for the company. The Atlas Fiber Company is incorporated with a capital of $50,000 for the manufacture of plain and embossed leather board to be used for different purposes. The officers of the new company are: President, H. L. Handy; treasurer, Sayward Galbraith; clerk, B. F. Handy, all of Springfield; directors, H. L. Handy, Sayward Galbraith, B. F. Handy, E. H. Trnesdell, Charles J. Larry. The new machinery is expected to arrive this month and to be ready for work about April 1. About 20 men will be employed. Charles J. Larry of Portland, Me., who has been engaged in the paper business for 30 years, will superintend the work in the shop.

MARRIED FIFTY YEARS.

Hampden Couple Will Celebrate That Event Next Week.

WILL RECEIVE FRIENDS ON MONDAY.

When All are Invited to Call. Have Lived in the Town for Many Years.

Mr. and Mrs. William Leach of Hampden will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Monday of next week, when they will be at home to their friends during the afternoon and evening.

Mr. Leach was born in South Wilbraham, now called Hampden, August 27, 1833, and received his education in the public schools. He has lived in Hampden all his life with the exception of a few years. He early chose the carpenter trade, to which he paid his attention; later he added farming, the two being his chief occupations. He has held town offices of selectman, assessor and road commissioner.

He was married in Ludlow, March 6, 1855, to A. Elizabeth Atchinson. They have three children living, William W. Leach and Mrs. D. Lincoln McCray of Hampden, and Mrs. Thomas T. Woodworth of Feeding Hills; *there are also five grandchil*dren, Ruby F. and Fred W. Leach, William D. and Lena E. McCray, and Harold T. Woodworth. There are seventeen still living who attended the wedding 50 years ago, Mrs. Meriva L. Capen, Survetus Leach and Mrs. Helen E. Stacy of Palmer, Miss Mary C. Atchinson, Gilien D. Atchinson and Mrs. Austin Newell and two children of

Ludlow, Charles B. Fiske of Palmer, Mrs. Moore Keith of Granby, Mrs. Carrie Atchinson of Wilbraham, Mrs. Harry T. Bishop and Mrs. Ella Keith of Thorndike, Mrs. Ellen Alden of Waterbury, Ct., Alfred Putnam, Alvin Hall and Mrs. Adeline Whetmore of Springfield. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Tuck, pastor of the Congregational church at Ludlow.

Mrs. Leach was the daughter of David L. and Abigal Waters Putnam Atchinson, and was born in Wilbraham March 13, 1835; she is a descendant of Israel Putnam, and is of a family of four, all of whom are living, and is a member of the Baptist church at East Longmeadow.

Electric Road to be Sold.

It is expected that a decree will be presented to the superior court in Worcester in a few days asking that the petition of the American loan and trust company to foreclose a mortgage of about $135,000 on the Hampshire and Worcester street railway be allowed. The petition for leave to foreclose is already on file, being an appeal to intervene in the case of William E. Swindell and another against the street railway company. E. P. Howe of Boston, counsel for the loan and trust company, has prepared an outline of the decree, which has been looked over by George S. Taft, the receiver, and returned to Mr. Howe. It will probably be presented to some justice of the superior court soon. If this petition is allowed Mr. Taft will probably be appointed receiver under the foreclosure proceedings, and the road will be advertised after sufficient time has elapsed for objections to be presented. Reorganization is to follow the sale, which will probably be to some of the creditors. Mr. Taft is absent on a short vacation and the sale will not take place until his return. The road will remain idle in the meanwhile.

Special Low Rates to the West.

Commencing March first and continuing to May 15th, extremely low rates will be in effect from New England to points in Colorado, California and the North West, via the Grand Trunk-Central Vermont Railways, in connection with the Boston & Maine R. R. San Francisco $49.90, Los Angeles $49.90, Portland, Oregon, $49 90, Butte, Mont., $45.90; correspondingly low rates to other points. Personally Conducted Tourist Sleeping cars every Monday and Wednesday from Boston, at half the price of Standard Pullman berth. Lowest rates combined with best service via this route.

Anyone contemplating a trip to any point in the West should write T. H. Hanley, New England Passenger Agent, 360 Washington Street, Boston, who will be pleased to quote rates and mail descriptive folders.

Horse Thief Captured.

Daniel Stone of Ware was brought before the district court in Palmer Monday morning on a charge of larceny. He pleaded guilty and was bound over to the superior court in the sum of $500, which he could not furnish. Stone, who is only 19 years old, hired a horse and sleigh of D. E. Marcy on February 17 to go to Belchertown. He drove to Hardwick instead and sold the rig to John Day for $65. The rig was traced and returned to Mr. Marcy and Stone was arrested in Spencer Sunday. He was turned over to Officer Crimmins who brought him to Palmer.

BOWLING.

Three Rivers 3, Palmer 1.

Three Rivers won three points from Palmer Monday evening in the first match of the new candlepin league in Tufts's alleys. Burnett had the high single of 115 and a total of 281. The score:

Three Rivers.				
Ahare,	70	84	79	229
Vlent,	71	68	93	232
Rogers,	73	73	70	216
Provo,	78	83	57	218
Burnette,	115	89	77	281
Total,	467	397	372	1176
Palmer.				
McBride,	81	84	90	255
Ahearn,	73	78	73	226
Holden,	85	76	74	226
Tufts,	79	73	74	226
Roche,	80	74	87	241
Total,	398	379	397	1174

Ware 2312, Palmer 2301.

The Otis company bowling team of Ware defeated Palmer in a close match on Amazeen's alleys in Ware Tuesday night by 11 pins. Although two members of the Palmer team rolled to the 500 mark, Palmer got only one point. Roche was high man in both single and total, with McBride a close second. The summary:

Otis Company.				
Mellenry,	163	163	144	470
Moore,	140	135	157	432
Robertson,	174	139	141	454
Rogers,	151	139	163	453
McBride,	161	177	165	503
Total,	789	753	770	2312
Palmer.				
Tufts,	179	114	117	410
Morrill,	160	172	108	500
Keith,	158	136	151	445
Barrett,	156	136	140	442
Roche,	145	202	158	504
Total,	768	860	733	2301

McKenzie's 1915, Robinson's 1883.

The second game in the series between Thorndike teams was played at Bond's alleys in Thorndike Tuesday evening and was witnessed by a large audience. McKenzie's team was a winner by 32 pins. Each team won two points. McKenzie and Robinson broke even in singles with 175 each to their credit. Robinson carried off the honors as high man with a total of 474. The summary:

McKenzie's.				
Clark,	163	127	114	404
Nephew,	140	119	159	418
Bondville,	90	113	158	361
D. Dunn,	93	129	91	304
McKenzie,	120	133	175	428
Total,	606	612	697	1915
Robinson's.				
Riley,	128	133	110	371
Gay,	125	95	109	330
Riel,	93	150	115	358
J. Dunn,	130	120	100	350
Robinson,	152	147	175	474
Total,	628	646	609	1883

Weavers 1575, Spinners 1541.

The second game in the series between the Weavers and Spinners resulted in a second victory for the Weavers by three points and 34 pins. The game was played on Bond's alleys in Thorndike and was witnessed by a large crowd. The following is the summary:

Weavers.				
Chabbott,	84	95	77	256
Clark,	98	122	109	329
Holden,	121	115	91	327
Riel,	106	128	93	327
Laramary,	91	122	123	336
Total,	500	582	493	1575
Spinners.				
Cahill,	112	112	81	305
Donovan,	124	119	75	318
Bondville,	85	84	104	273
Rivers,	89	96	77	262
Vashey,	121	167	95	383
Total,	531	578	432	1541

Firemen Bowl.

The members of the Palmer fire department have caught the bowling fever and an interesting match was played on Tufts's alleys Wednesday night. The firemen have divided off in two squads of ten men each, and Wednesday evening the first squad tried their luck, one team lead by Chief Bills and the other by Assistant Engineer Fuller. Squad No. 2 will howl next Wednesday night. The summary of this week's match:

Fuller's.				
Fuller,	116	74	80	270
Parker,	143	129	93	365
Moran,	85	104	121	310
Summers,	125	113	85	327
Duncan,	151	100	111	362
Total,	620	520	494	1634
Capt. Bills's.				
Bills,	48	61	67	176
LaSalle,	63	51	80	194
W. French,	78	116	59	253
Wilcox,	115	111	118	344
Thomas,	100	66	89	255
Total,	404	405	413	1222

Thorndike 1128, Bondsville 1108.

Thorndike defeated Bondsville in a candlepin league match at Thorndike Wednesday evening. Bowler had the highest total, 242; Arecotte had the highest single, 89. The summary:

Thorndike.				
Lafarr,	69	76	62	207
McCrea,	71	70	80	221
Riley,	77	81	77	235
Arecotte,	84	89	63	236
Robinson,	78	78	80	229
Totals,	379	387	362	1128
Bondsville.				
Hayes,	70	71	72	213
Sharratt,	75	71	82	228
Moore,	79	76	79	234
Moriarty,	67	66	58	191
Bowler,	87	75	80	240
Total,	378

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 3, 1905.

PALMER NEWS.

For Town Officers.

The caucuses for the nomination of town officers will be held on Friday evening of next week, and while there is little open talk concerning the nominations it must not be thought that all interest has been lost. Numerous issues of a year ago were too prominent to die a natural death, and they will be a factor in the placing of names on the caucus ballots. If all the suggestions which are made are carried out the voter will have hard work to make a choice from the list. It is certain that there will be a number of new names on the ballots, and for selectmen are mentioned J. J. Kelly and G. D. Mooers of Thorndike, M. J. Dillon and T. J. Dwyer of Palmer and J. F. Hayden of Bondsville. For assessors it is certain that W. H Hitchcock and J. W. Brainerd will be candidates, with A. J. Purinton for school committee and E. W. Carpenter for overseer of the poor. Byram Woodhead will also try for the nomination of tax collector. While it is not sure that all the names mentioned for selectmen will be found on the caucus ballot, it is certain that all of the others will be there, with possibly others in addition. The assessors' contest promises to be one of the fiercest on the tickets, in view of the action of the board the past year in practically ignoring the implied if not implicit instructions of the voters at the appropriation meeting. The temper of the voters at that time was that a disregard of instructions would mean a political funeral later; how much time has done to allay this feeling can better be told after the votes are counted next Friday night.

Gen. Howard at the High School.

The pupils of the high school enjoyed a rich treat Wednesday morning in the shape of a personal visit from Maj. Gen. Howard, who gave them an informal and exceedingly interesting account of his early military career and of his personal recollections of Abraham Lincoln. His address was replete with historical allusions and interesting anecdotes, and was of such a nature as to be especially interesting to a school audience. For a full hour he held his auditors as if spell-bound, and at the close of his remarks was greeted by long and continued applause. The superintendent of schools was present, and the singing which preceded and followed the General's address was personally conducted by Miss Cantwell. It was an occasion of great pleasure to all who participated, and one long to be remembered. In token of their appreciation of Gen. Howard, the young ladies of the school presented him with a handsome bunch of pinks at his appearance in Memorial Hall in the evening.

Big Blaze But Little Damage.

An alarm from box 68, at the corner of Main and Walnut streets, was pulled in at 3.44 Wednesday morning. This is the business section box and the alarm naturally gave many of the business men a shiver of apprehension which proved groundless however. The blaze was at the east end of Pleasant street in a small shed or house in the rear of the "Hatch" house, occupied by Mr. Hart. The structure had been built against the railroad fence with boards by boys, and in it was a quantity of excelsior. In some way—presumably by spark from a passing locomotive—fire was communicated to the excelsior and it blazed up fiercely. Fire Patrol Crimmins saw the blaze from the station platform and from its position thought the barn was on fire and pulled the box as soon as he could get to it. The fire department responded and the damage to property was slight.

The Caucuses and Nominations.

The caucuses for the nomination of town officers will be held next Friday evening, that of the Democrats in Temperance Hall in Thorndike and that of the Republicans in the Town House at Four Corners Australian ballots will be used in both, and the Republican town committee announces that any person may have his name placed on the ballot by presenting a petition signed by five Republican voters on or before Tuesday, the 7th. Five signatures are also required to secure a place on the Democratic ballot, and the petitions must be in the hands of some member of the town committee by 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening. Only such names as are accompanied by petitions will be placed on this ballot.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

The trustees held their monthly meeting yesterday.

The raising of cucumbers has been quite a prominent feature in our greenhouse. A new house has been built for them alone and our gardener treats us to cucumbers now.

In response to our solicitation for magazines and periodicals, friends in Palmer and Monson have contributed generously. We thank them for their kindness. Any such gifts are very acceptable.

Special Court Session for Naturalization.

So many requests have been made for a sitting of the district court for naturalization purposes at some other than the usual morning session, when many who wish to be naturalized would be compelled to leave their work to attend, that it has been decided to hold such a session on Saturday of next week, the 11th, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. It is understood that there are a considerable number who wish to secure final papers.

Fred White of Pittsburg spent the first of the week with A. W. W. Lloyd.

William Kelley is at the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield for treatment.

Mrs. Charles Prescott of Springfield spent Sunday with Mrs. H. A. Crofton.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. Stacy on Pleasant street Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Annette McKemie of Montague City is the guest of Miss Mary Roche on Pond street.

G. Frank Sedgwick is recovering rapidly from the operation recently performed on his lip.

Elder Goodwin of Springfield will preach in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mary French, 81, sister of the late M. W. French, died last week at her home in Peterboro, N. H.

The Monday Evening Whist Club will meet with Mrs. A. E. Fitch on Central street next Monday evening.

Mrs. F. W. Hovey will entertain the Entre Nous whist club at her rooms in the Converse House this evening.

The ladies of the Universalist church will hold a social next Tuesday evening. Supper will be served at 6.30.

M. S. Chatman has moved his family from the Tufhill to the Shanks house on the east end of Pleasant street.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30.

The Democratic town committee has organized with T. J. Moran chairman and T. J. Dwyer secretary and treasurer.

It is understood that Mrs. Lucy Flynt and family will soon return from Springfield to their home on Central street.

The annual meeting of the Young Men's Library Association will be held in the library reference room next Monday evening at 7.15.

There will be a business meeting and social of the members of the Y P. C. U. in the parlor of St. Paul's church this evening at 7 o'clock.

The ladies of the Congregational church held a meeting Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. M. O. Patton at the parsonage to sew for the Easter sale.

W. E. McDonald and son Willie have gone to Washington to visit Mr. McDonald's brother, Dr. McDonald, and will remain for the inauguration.

The committee appointed to ascertain the needs of the town in reference to a high school building will meet at the high school to-morrow afternoon.

Miss Goddard of Brimfield has been substituting as teacher of the fourth and fifth grades of the grammar school this week, on account of Miss Ryther's resignation.

Whitcomb & Faulkner have leased of C. B. Fiske a part of the vacant lot west of the Palmer Journal office, and will erect an automobile repair and storage station.

The social which was to have been held in the Congregational church Wednesday evening was postponed until next Wednesday on account of Gen. Howard's lecture.

The members of the Woman's Tuesday Club enjoyed an outing to Springfield Monday, visiting Gill's and Johnson's art exhibits and taking dinner at the Cooley Hotel.

Erwin W., 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Hollingsworth, died at Waverly yesterday. The body will be brought here for burial, and the funeral will be Sunday afternoon.

The civil case of Antoni Bigor against Simon Jorczak of Thorndike, for the recovery of wages, was tried in the district court yesterday morning and a verdict given for the defendant.

There was "standing room only" and little of that on the car which reached Palmer at 7 Wednesday evening from Bondsville, Three Rivers and Thorndike; 111 fares were rung up, and the car was a small one at that.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be "Knowing the Unknownable"; Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6; evening song service at 7, followed by a sermon on "Eternal Punishment."

J. N. Greer received a broken shoulder yesterday afternoon while drawing wood on his farm east of Blanchardville. He was coming down the mountain with a load when a part of the sled gave way and the horses ran, throwing him off.

The selectmen have named the polling places for the coming town election. They are as usual: The engine house on Park street in Palmer, Temperance society's hall in Thorndike, Ruggles' Hall in Three Rivers and Holden's old store in Bondsville

The fire hydrant at the corner of Main and Walnut streets, which froze and burst last winter, is frozen solid again. An attempt was made to draw water from it on Tuesday, to fill the boiler being used in thawing out the sewers, but not a drop could be had.

Jessie Bovat, a 14-years-old girl who had been employed in the family of H. A. Northrop, was in the district court Tuesday charged with larceny. The case was continued until to-morrow and she was released on parole, in charge of William Merriam.

L. L. Merrick Woman's Relief Corps will hold another of its popular dances in Memorial hall next Tuesday evening. The program will be arranged especially to please the older dancers, who prefer the square and contra dances. Ice cream will be served.

Superintendent Fuller wishes attention called to a new regulation of the no-school signal. Hereafter, when it is sounded at 8 o'clock in the forenoon it will mean no school for the first, second and third grades only, the others holding as usual; when it is sounded at 8:30 it will mean no school for all the grades.

The annual meeting of the mission circle of the Baptist church was held Tuesday afternoon, when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. A. L. Wilcox; first vice president, Mrs. Laura Calkins: second vice president, Mrs. G. W. Camp; secretary, Mrs. Sarah Parkhurst; treasurer, Mrs. Cambridge Moulton.

The annual reception of Kelly's dancing class was held in the opera house last evening with a large attendance. There was an exhibition of fancy dancing by about 50 children between 8 and 9, which received much favorable comment. The public was admitted to the floor after the exhibition and enjoyed dancing until 1 o'clock.

Henry G. Loomis and Miss Martha C. Ferry, both of Palmer, were married Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mr. Loomis' sister in Indian Orchard, Mrs. Therza L. Pease, by Rev. Wilford E. Mann of the Evangelical church. Only the parents of the bride and a few intimate friends were present. Mr. and Mrs. Loomis have gone for an extended trip to California.

Officer Crimmins went to Maynard last Saturday and brought back Derrick Brunelle, against whom a charge of bastardy was preferred by a young woman now at the town farm. Brunelle has a wife and two children in Ware, but has not lived with them for some time. In the district court Tuesday he pleaded guilty and was bound over to the superior court in the sum of $300 bonds, which he was unable to furnish.

The following services will be held in St. Paul's church Sunday: Morning worship at 10.45, at which the Rev. C. Ellwood Nash, D. D., of Boston, field secretary of the Universalist church, will be present and preach the sermon. There will be special music as an aid to worship. Holy communion at 12 o'clock; Sunday school at 12.15; Junior Y. P. C. U. at 4 p. m.; evening prayer at 7, with sermon by the pastor; subject, "The Genesis of Hope."

Superintendent Fuller of the Palmer schools will conduct a party to Washington about the middle of the month, and a number have already made arrangements to go. The party will go the 17th of March and return the 24th; the expense of the round trip, including railroad fares and hotel bills, will be $25, and Mr. Fuller will be glad to have any others who may wish to go join the party, and will be glad to give any information regarding the trip which may be desired.

Smoke was discovered coming from the base of one of the show windows of the Feeney block on the corner of Main and Central streets soon after noon last Saturday, and it was found that the woodwork beneath the window was on fire. A stream from a small chemical extinguisher easily extinguished the blaze with no other damage than a cracked pane of plate glass. There was a small space between the glass and the woodwork at the bottom of the window, and it is probable that a carelessly dropped match was the cause of the blaze.

The registrars of voters will hold a session in Holden's old store in Bondsville next Tuesday evening, Wednesday evening in Temperance Hall in Thorndike, Thursday evening in Ruggles' Hall in Three Rivers, and Saturday from 12 o'clock noon until 10 o'clock at night in the selectmen's room in Palmer for the purpose of adding names to the voting list. The assessors will meet at the latter time and place for the purpose of assessing any who may have been overlooked but who wish to be assessed in order to vote in the coming town election.

Superintendent of Streets Brainerd spent Tuesday thawing out the sewer openings in anticipation of the thaw which threatened. Many of them had become covered with ice, and the catch-basins were also filled. A portable steam boiler was secured and a long hose connected and 60 pounds of steam was forced into the frozen pipes It did not take long to make an opening, though some of the pipes from the catch-basins to the main sewer were frozen for long distances; at the one in front of the east end of the Cross block on Main street the hose and steam were run in 45 feet before the pipe was clear.

A special series of mid-week Lenten services will be conducted at St. Paul's Universalist church beginning next Thursday evening. The speakers as announced are: Rev. Flint M. Bissell of Springfield, Rev. V. E. Tomlinson D. D. of Worcester, Rev. William Couden of Somerville, Rev. Charles Conklin D. D. of Boston, Rev. C. H. Puffer D. D. of Salem and Rev. John Coleman Adams D. D. of Hartford, Ct. Rev. F. M. Bissell, district superintendent of Central Massachusetts, and pastor of St. Paul's church in Springfield, will open the series next Thursday evening at 7 30. All are invited to enjoy the privileges of these meetings.

The Palmer Water Company has been experimenting this week with electricity as a means for thawing frozen water pipes, and finds that it works finely where the pipes are iron or lead; it does not work in the cement lined pipe. The method of procedure is to attach one wire to the faucet in the house and another wire to the nearest fire hydrant, tap the alternating current wire of the electric company and turn on the current, which makes a direct connection around through the pipe, which is soon thawed out. A long piece of frozen pipe was thawed in five minutes yesterday morning. This is a much cheaper method than digging down through the frozen ground, as well as much quicker.

THORNDIKE.

Miss Etta Bond attended a party in Monson Tuesday evening.

Miss Curtin of Worcester visited her brother, Edward Curtin Tuesday.

Matthew Coffey of Easthampton was the guest of his wife on Pine avenue Sunday.

Mrs. Thomas Longtine Sr. is ill at her home on Church street with bronchitis.

Charles E. Walker has taken a position in the B. and A. freight depot in Palmer.

Charles McDonald of Monson passed Saturday with William Holden on Pine avenue.

The seven-years-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bessette of Church street is ill with diphtheria.

Miss Kittie Holden of Pine avenue spent Sunday with her cousin, Miss Annie McDonald in Monson.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coleman of Main street are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter Monday.

Mrs. Ellen Hartnett, who has been ill with pneumonia at her home on Main street, is slowly recovering.

A number from here attended the reception of Prof. Kelley's dancing class in the Palmer opera house last evening.

Miss Lucy Talmage of Springfield spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Talmage on Main street.

Raymond Keith, who recently purchased the Connor farm in South Belchertown, will occupy the same about April 1st.

Dennis Dunn of Pine avenue has commenced work at the B. and A. freight depot in place of Warren M. Trumble, resigned.

Several from Thorndike went to Three Rivers last Friday evening to attend the dance given by the baseball club of that place.

Temperance Hall, Commercial street, has been designated by the selectmen as the polling place for the coming annual town election.

William Crimmins, who has been on the sick list for some time, is on the gain and was able to be out of doors Tuesday for a short time.

Miss Sophie LaPlant returned to Southbridge Monday, after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank LaPlant on Main street.

Miss Nellie Cunningham of Worcester, a former resident, spent part of the week as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Ellen Cunningham of School street.

Messrs. Moses Longtine of Ware and Edgar and Andrew McManus of Springfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Longtine Sr. on Church street Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graves returned on Tuesday to their home in Clinton after spending a few days in town as guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Clifford of the Clinton House.

The funeral of Mrs. Ash of Bondsville, which was held from St. Bartholomew's church last Saturday morning with burial in Thorndike, was largely attended by Thorndike friends.

Martin F. Hurley went to Westfield Sunday to attend the quarterly temperance convention of the societies of Hampden county, as delegate from St. Mary's Total Abstinence society.

Several of the wells and springs in the village which have stood the strain in dry weather until now are beginning to give out and unless rain comes soon a water famine is inevitable.

The announcement that Dr. Daniel O'Connor is to open dental parlors in the near future in the Holden block in Palmer was received by his many Thorndike friends with pleasure, all of whom wish him every success possible.

The various committees which have been appointed to take charge of the S. M. T. A. S bazar which opens in Union Hall, April 28th, are actively engaged in their respective duties and will endeavor to make the affair a success in every particular.

The news of the death of Miss Ella J. Keefe at Athol on Wednesday was received in Thorndike with much sorrow. Miss Keefe was well known here and had lived here for many years. The body was taken to Ware to-day for interment and the funeral was attended by several from this place.

There is sure to be a large attendance at the dance to be given this evening in Union Hall for the benefit of Patrick Riley, the blind boy. The Marine orchestra will furnish music and Prof. N. J. Comfort will act as prompter. The Columbian band have offered their services and will play selections in front of the hall from 7 30 o'clock to the hour of dancing.

BONDSVILLE.

Thomas Waterhouse spent the latter part of last week in Boston.

Charles Billings has been confined to the house this week by illness.

Samuel Sharratt has returned to his work in the mill after an attack of the grip.

The fourth quarterly conference of the M E. church will be held next Friday.

Edgar Lane of Belchertown is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Collis.

Patrick L. Sullivan of Westfield spent Sunday with his father, Lawrence Sullivan.

Mrs. Edward Sharratt has been spending a few days with relatives in West Ware this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hall of Lowell are guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. E. G. Childs.

John McKelligott is taking the place on the night beat of Constable Collins during his absence in Washington.

A large number from this village attended the lecture given by General Howard in Palmer Wednesday evening.

Miss Nellie G. Shea is in Springfield caring for her brother, M. J. Shea, who has been ill with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Rodman of Stafford Springs, Ct., were guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs C. L. Holden.

Mrs. Walter Cadwell and daughter Gladys of Belchertown visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Billings last Sunday.

Mrs. Joseph Castledine attended a meeting of Adelphi Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, last Friday evening in Springfield.

Miss Mabel Ryther left last Saturday afternoon for Boston to begin her new duties in the labor bureau of the state house.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church will hold a food sale next Friday afternoon in the remnant room of the Boston Duck Co.

The King's Daughters Circle will meet next Monday evening at the home of Mrs. E G. Childs. After the meeting there will be a social for members.

The M. E. church has purchased new anthem books for the use of the choir in the morning services. They were used last Sunday for the first time.

Mrs. H L. Ryther and children, Morgan and Lucy, of Enfield were guests of Mrs. Ryther's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Morgan the first of the week.

Charles Banister, who has been in the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield for the past two weeks, is improving rapidly and is expected home to-morrow.

Miss Wyman of Springfield substituted as teacher in the seventh, eighth and ninth grades yesterday and to-day in the absence of Miss Twiss, the regular teacher.

The Ladies' Aid Society held a meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. M. Billings. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Collis.

Agnes, the 21-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Callahan, died Wednesday afternoon after a two-weeks' illness of pneumonia. The funeral was held this afternoon.

Michael Collins started Wednesday for a ten-days' trip to Washington, D. C, where he will visit relatives. While there he expects to witness the inauguration of President Roosevelt.

Rev. Mr. Squiers of Newtonville visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ryther last Sunday. Rev. Mr. Squiers occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church in Monson Sunday morning.

Miss Alice Thompson, who has been stenographer in the office of the Boston Duck Co. for the past ten years, has resigned her position, the resignation to take effect the first of April.

The 6 30 electric car was about one and a half hours late Tuesday evening on account of the breaking of an axle at Fuller's Corner. There was somewhat of a shake-up among the passengers in the car at the time of the happening, although no one was injured.

Alphonse Laccas, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Laccas, died last Sunday afternoon after a short illness of pneumonia. The funeral was held Monday afternoon in St. Anne's church in Three Rivers, Rev. Father Campeau officiating. Burial was in St. Anne's church.

Merton Alden met with a painful accident Monday while chopping. The axe slipped, causing it to strike on his boot just over the big toe of his right foot. It passed through his boot and cut his toe to the bone. He was able to hobble home with the assistance of his father, who was with him at the time. It will be a few weeks before Mr. Alden will be able to resume his work.

THREE RIVERS.

Willis A. Calkins is ill with an attack of the grippe.

Harold Cleland is ill with an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson are spending the week in Boston.

Miss Bell Rogers of Union, Ct., is visiting Mrs. L. C. Grout.

Denis Horgan spent the first part of the week in Brattleboro, Vt.

Emile Dupnis of Springfield is visiting his brother, L. L. Dupnis.

Leon Henrichon is confined to his home with an attack of the grip.

Daniel J. Dunn has sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to be out.

Mrs. John Collins of Springfield is visiting Mrs. B. A. Green on Main street.

Edwin Perrin of Woodstock, Ct., spent Sunday at the home of A. F. Calkins.

Miss Gladys Weston of Greenwich is visiting Mrs. Charles E Tannerbring.

Frank Genard of Manchester, N. H., is visiting his parents on East Main street.

Mrs. George Coleman of Belchertown is visiting Miss Alice Barton on Barker street.

Clarence J. Olmstead of Haydenville spent Sunday with his parents on Kelly street.

Miss Carrie Woodworth returned Tuesday from a week's visit with friends in Boston.

The physical culture club will meet in the rooms over the mill office next Monday evening.

Miss Edith Burr of Agawam spent the first part of the week with Mrs. Charles Olmestead.

Guy Grout of Newfane, Vt., spent the first part of the week with his brother, L. E. Grout.

J. T. Geer has purchased a five-horse power abenaque gasolene engine and sawing machine.

Mrs. S. W. Wells and daughter Nettie left Tuesday for Nashua, N. H., where they intend to live.

John L. Sullivan has moved from his house on Bourne street to one on the Belchertown road.

The subject of Rev. D. C. York's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The Name of Jesus Christ."

The Ladies' Aid Society of Union church met at the home of Mrs. R C. Newell Wednesday afternoon.

A. C. Nickerson has moved into the house formerly occupied by John Manning on Anderson avenue.

Harris Dupont has recovered from his recent illness and resumed his duties in the store of James Wilson.

Miss Sarah A. Graves, who has been ill with the grip, resumed her duties in the Palmer Mill Wednesday.

The second baseball team conducted a successful dance at Ruggles Hall last Friday night. They cleared about $20.

The 6.35 electric car from Palmer Tuesday night was delayed an hour by an accident to the axle near Dutton's bridge.

The water situation on a portion of East East Main and Ruggles streets remains unchanged and residents are obliged to obtain water as best they can.

Robert L. Geer was elected secretary of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Union church last Sunday to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Gertrude Aldrich.

John O'Connor met with a painful accident in the mill yard last Saturday. A plank fell on his foot, driving a nail into it. He was attended by Dr. Chiverett.

The subject of Rev. Charles Olmestead's sermon next Sunday morning will be "Making Religion out of Remnants." The bi-monthly communion service will be held in the evening and the topic will be "The Downward Steps of a Dishonored Name."

Willis A. Calkins gave his Sunday school class a a sleighride last Saturday afternoon to Ludlow and Wilbraham. The party consisted of Raymond Warriner, William Fenton, Isaac Cole, Thomas Brown, Wilfred Henrichon, Max Ruggles, Albert Senecal and Albert Paine.

A large number from here attended General Howard's lecture in Palmer Wednesday evening. The crowd was accommodated by a single truck car, on which there were 111 passengers. Until this week the street railway company have run double-truck cars afternoons and in the evening until 8 o'clock, but this week single truck cars have been run instead, and as a result the cars in the evening are uncomfortably crowded.

The entertainment given by the ninth grade in Ruggles Hall Monday night was well attended and the class cleared about $21. Following is the program: Chorus by school; recitation, "The National Ensign," Harold Cleveland; advertisements; piano duets, Blanche Upham and Nettie Wells; recitation, "Little Orphan Annie," Daniel Horgan; dumb bell drill by school; chorus by school; farce, "No Cure, No Pay;" chorus by school.

Fraternity Notes.

The Ladies of Columbus will meet next Tuesday evening.

Quaboag council, Royal Arcanum, meets next Tuesday evening.

A meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held this evening.

The Dames of Malta will meet on Tuesday evening of next week.

Court Palmer, Foresters of America, will meet next Tuesday evening.

Palmer council, Knights of Columbus, meets next Thursday evening.

The Palmer Grange will hold a regular meeting in the court room this evening.

L. L. Merrick Woman's Relief Corps will meet in Memorial hall this evening at 7 30.

Tockwotton tribe of Red Men hold a regular meeting Thursday evening of next week.

Revere chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold a regular meeting next Friday evening.

Tockwotton tribe of Red Men will hold a class initiation April 27. A visiting team will work the adoption degree and there will be a rivalry among members to see how many candidates can be brought in at that time.

The Sons of Veterans will meet next Wednesday evening. Sides have been chosen for a contest for a supper for the entire camp. The attendance of a member at a meeting counts one for his side, and an application for membership five. At the first of June the losing side will provide a supper for all.

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In Thorndike, 26th ult., a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coleman.

MARRIED.

In Ware, 27th ult., by Rev. J. T. Sheehan, Albert Dorion and Mary Lepine.

In Ware, 1st, by Rev. John H Murphy, Arthur J. Collette and Catherine A. Riley.

In Indian Orchard, 1st, by Rev. Wilford E. Mann, Henry G. Loomis and Martha C. Ferry, both of Palmer.

DIED.

In Monson, 25th ult., Patrick Purcell, 65.

In Monson, 25th ult., Harriett Hitchcock, 82, widow of the late Asa Davis.

In North Wilbraham, 27th, James W. Bennett, 84.

In Waverly, 2d, Erwin W., 12, son of Fred W. Hollingsworth of Palmer.

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FOR SALE OR TO RENT, after December 1, my house and stable on Knox St., Palmer. 31-tf THOMAS BLANCHARD.

FOUND—A pocket-book containing a sum of money. Owner can have same by proving property and communicating with J. R. FENTON, 37 Auburn St, Springfield. 49-1

FOR SALE—Cushion-tired top buggy; open buggy, hard rubber tires; piano-box carriage; Concord buggy; Buckboard. All new. J. F. TWISS, Three Rivers, Mass.

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NOTICE TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PALMER.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with the custom of previous years the Democratic Town Committee will prepare a ballot for use in the caucus for the nomination of town officers, Friday evening, March 10, 1905. That on the ballot will be placed only such names as are presented to some member of the Town Committee previous to 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, March 8, endorsed by 5 Democratic voters of the town.

Democratic Town Committee.
THOMAS J. MORAN, Chairman.
49-1 THOMAS J. DWYER, Secretary

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TOWN OF PALMER.
ASSESSORS' NOTICE.

The Assessors of the Town of Palmer will be in session at the selectmen's room in the library building in the Depot village March 11, 1905, from 2 to 10 p. m. for the purpose of assessing any who may wish to vote in the coming town election.

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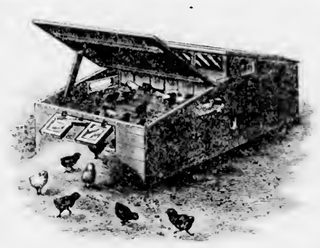

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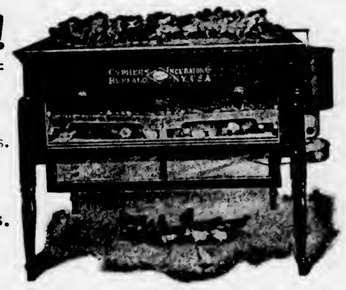

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NOTICE TO VOTERS.
REGISTRATION.

Office of the BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.
Palmer, Mass., Feb 21, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Registrars of Voters will be in session at Holden's old store, Bondsville, Tuesday evening, March 7th, 1905, from 7 20 to 8.20 p. m.; Temperance Hall, Thorndike, Wednesday evening, March 8th, 1905, from 7 15 to 8 15 p. m.; Ruggles' Hall, Three Rivers, Thursday evening, March 9, 1905, from 7 30 to 8 30 p. m.; and at Selectmen's room, library building, Depot Village, on Saturday, March 11th, 1905, from 12 a. m. to 10 p. m., for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualification of persons claiming a right to vote at the election to be held on Monday, March 20th, 1905, and of correcting the list of voters.

See that your name is on the voting list of your town; if not there, call at the office of the Board of Registrars on the days above mentioned, and be registered, or you cannot vote. Bring with you a certificate from the assessors or a tax bill or notice from the collector of taxes, showing that you have been assessed a poll tax as a resident of the town of Palmer.

All persons whose names are stricken from the voters' lists for any lawful reason, will, before they can again have their names placed upon said lists, be required to register their names at the time hereinbefore stated in like manner as new voters.

Naturalized Citizens presenting themselves for registration must bring their naturalization papers with them.

If a qualified voter of this town whose name was on the voters' list last year, and who has been assessed for the current year, finds after the close of registration that his name is not placed on the voters' list of the current year, by reason of having been omitted by clerical error or mistake, he may, upon personal application, have his name placed upon the voting list, or, if application be made on the day of election, he may have a certificate to vote.

No name can be added to the voters' list, (except to correct omissions made by clerical error or mistake) after ten (10) o'clock of the evening of Saturday, March 11th, 1905, at which time registration closes.

By order of the Board of Registrars of Voters.

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Percale Wrappers 67c, 87c, 98c, $1.25, $1.37
Lace and Muslin Curtains ..... 39c, 57c, 98c pair
Sash Curtains (5 patterns) ..... 25c pair

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Monson News.

Academy Notes.

Potwine, '05, has gone to his home in East Windsor, Ct.

Briggs, '06, is spending a few days at his home in Woonsocket, R. I.

Taylor, '07, has gone to his home in Leverett because of illness.

Anderson, '07, who has been ill with the measles, is able to be around again.

Al. Chaprazion, a special student, has left school and gone to Hartford, Ct.

T. G. Cooper of Rutherford, N.Y., visited his son, William, the first part of the week.

The classes of 1908 and 1907 will have their social at the chapel this evening at 8 o'clock.

The class of 1906 met last evening and voted not to give a return social to the class of 1905.

Many of the students attended the lecture given at Palmer Wednesday evening on "Sherman's March to the Sea."

There will be no basketball game to-morrow afternoon, the game scheduled with Chicopee High having been cancelled.

Prize Speaking Contest.

The prize speaking contest will be held in Memorial Hall next Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The following is the program:

"Imperialism, Past and Present." — Arthur Graves
"Declaration of Independence." — Francis J. L. McQuaid
"The Defeat at Waterloo." — Harry L. Oldfield
"Canada, England and the United States." — John English
"Virginia's Part in America's History." — Howard Page
"Genevre." — Miss Florence Moore
"Lasca." — Miss Bessie Newton
"Jerry, the Bobbin Boy." — Miss Margaret Kearns
"Kissing-Cup's Race." — Miss Florence Crocker
"Miss Tabitha's Trial." — Miss Lucy Horton

Coasting Accident.

Joseph Monohan, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Monohan of Mill street, was badly injured last evening while sliding on the mill road While going at a high rate of speed he ran into a double runner which was turning around at the foot of the hill, and sustained a deep gash several inches long over the left eye and a had cut under the eye. He was carried to his home, and Dr. Jackson, who was summoned, found it necessary to take a dozen or more stitches to close the wounds.

Merrill Carew spent Thursday at Easthampton.

Raymond McPherson is working in Gage's store.

F. A. Langewald of Williinansett was in town this week.

A. J. Buffington has recovered from a few days' illness.

C. M. Gage is out once more after an attack of rheumatism.

Monson Court of Foresters met in Workman Hall last evening.

Mrs. George Wood of Stafford, Ct., is visiting relatives in town.

Postmaster George H. Seymour was in Boston a part of this week.

Mrs. P. S. Anderson has returned from a visit with relatives at Barre.

Miss Rose Sculley of Wilbraham is the guest of Miss Nellie Corcoran.

Mrs. J. C. Parsons and children have returned from a visit in Springfield.

Miss Martha Anderson has returned from a visit with relatives at Barre.

Miss Mary Smith of Washington street visited friends in Springfield this week.

W. E. Horne of South Framingham has taken a position with S W. Lyon & Co.

J. C. Parsons and M. F. Moore have been in New York this week on a business trip.

The Current Event Club met this afternoon with Mrs. R P. Cushman on Main street.

Miss Ella Ryan, who was operated on last week for appendicitis, is recovering rapidly.

The board of overseers of the poor took their annual inventory at the town farm yesterday.

Miss Mary E. Marsh of Palmer is substituting for Miss Bessie Sutcliffe in the Green street school.

The Green Street Whist Club will meet next Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Squier.

A. M. Beatty of Old Town, Me., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lancey at the Monson House.

Milo Hamilton of Rockville, Ct., has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Beckwith this week.

A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, held a regular meeting in Grand Army hall Thursday night.

Miss Dorothy Dewey of Springfield is the *guest of her grandmother, Mrs. W. N.* Flynt on High street.

The members of the Quaboag Country Club will hold a whist party at the club house Monday evening.

Rev. A. L. Squiers has returned to his home at Newtonville after spending a few days with relatives here.

B. S. Ford has moved from the Puffer house on Cushman street into Dr. Soule's house on North Main street.

Rev. A. R. Nichols of Shrewsbury, a former pastor of the Methodist church, has been visiting friends here this week.

"Hasty Judgment" will be the subject of the sermon by Rev. C. C. Conner at the Universalist church Sunday morning.

The 1905 Social Club will hold a dance in Memorial Hall this evening. Music will be furnished by Orcutt's orchestra.

The annual meeting of the Monson free library and reading room association will be held in the library, Monday evening.

Miss Harriet R. Pease, a former teacher in Monson Academy, has been spending a few days with Dr. and Mrs. P. W. Soule.

Fred Nobert was thrown from a sled while sliding on Green street last evening, and was unconscious for several minutes.

Mrs. John Welcome, who has been spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. D. W. Palmer, on East Hill, has returned to her home at Southwick.

John Shields, employed at Beach's mill, had one of his feet jammed yesterday by dropping a warp beam on it. He was attended by Dr. Camfill.

The Fortnightly Club will meet Monday night with Mrs. D. B. Needham on Lincoln street, and the musical program will be in charge of Mrs Lillian Chapin.

Robert Sheriffs and James Burdick have been in Boston this week attending the meeting of the grand lodge of A. O. U. W. as delegates from Mt. Ella lodge.

The young ladies of St. Patrick's church will give their minstrel show, which they have been rehearsing for several weeks, in Memorial Hall Monday evening, March 20.

E. J. Hughes plans to commence the work Monday of changing the Puffer house, which he has purchased, into a hotel. C. G. Thomas of Palmer will have charge of the work.

The Century Club will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Stephen Newton on Main street. The program will be in charge of Mrs. W. L. Ricketts, Mrs. F. A. Wheeler and Mrs. A. H. Bennett.

Rev. N. M. Pratt will preach at the Congregational church Sunday morning on the subject, "The Parodox of Power." Mr. Mr. Pratt will preach in the Pease district district school house Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

A union temperance meeting will be held in Memorial Hall Sunday evening at 7.30, and the public is cordially invited. The speaker will be Clinton Gowdy of Springfield, who is considered to be an interesting and entertaining speaker.

Jesse Rogers, employed at W. N. Flynt & Sons, slipped on the ice yesterday morning and in falling struck his head on a platform and received a bad cut on the back of his head. He was attended by Dr. Jackson and several stitches were taken.

The insurance on S. F. Cushman & Sons' tenement block has been adjusted and J. S. Stewart has the contract to make the repairs on the building and has commenced work. The insurance on John Shea's property has also been adjusted.

The Century Whist Club entertained their men friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Flynt on North Main street Tuesday evening. The winners of the first prizes at whist were Mr. and Mrs. R. H Cushman. Refreshments were served.

Several people from this place are desirous of seeing Maude Adams in "The Little Minister" at Court Square theater next Thursday night. If all who intend to go will hand their names to F. E. Severy by Monday, arrangements for a car will be made and tickets procured.

A party of about 40 of the shop friends of Mrs. George Warner gave her a pleasant surprise at her home on North Main street Tuesday evening and presented her with a beautiful ring as a reminder of the occasion. The evening was pleasantly spent in games, etc., and refreshments were served.

An old-fashioned quilting bee was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tucker on East Hill Wednesday afternoon and evening, which was a very enjoyable affair. A handsome friendship quilt was presented to Mrs. Tucker during the evening. About 50 of the neighbors and friends were present. A chicken-pie supper was served.

William E. Leahy of Monson, a student at Holy Cross College, has been chosen one of the speakers to represent that college in the first inter-collegiate debate with Boston college to be held April 4th. There were 26 contestants in the preliminaries, which included sophmores and freshmen. Leahy is a son of David Leahy of this place.

The meeting of the stockholders of the Monson Baseball Association was held in engine house No. 1 Tuesday evening and there were about 29 present The following officers were elected: President, A. D. Norcross; vice president, J. P. Herlihy; secretary, W. H. Cavanaugh; treasurer, L. C. Flynt; directors, N P. Dempsey, A. E. Shaw, Fisk Bacon, G. C. Flynt and J. P. McCarthy. The committee appointed to sell the stock report a good sale.

Patrick Purcell, 65, an old resident of this town, died at his home on the Wilbraham road Saturday morning of heart trouble, having been in poor health for a long time. He leaves a widow and four sons, Thomas of Hardwick, Vt., and John, Daniel and Patrick of this town, also one daughter and one brother, Dennis Purcell of this town. The funeral was held from St. Patrick's church Monday morning at 10 o'clock, and burial was in the Catholic cemetery on Pearl street.

The vesper service at the Congregational church Sunday evening at 6 o'clock promises to be a rare musical treat. Miss Hutchinson, soprano, Mr. Orcutt, bass, and Mr. Johnstone, tenor, have all been heard before, and need no introduction, while the criticisms of Miss Gauthier, contraito, who gave a recital in Springfield Monday night, were unusually favorable. This was her first appearance since her return from abroad. The cantata, "Pardon, Penitence and Peace" will be rendered and Miss Gauthier will give a solo.

Harriet Hitchcock Davis, 82, widow of the late Asa Davis, died at her home on South Main street Saturday morning of heart trouble. She leaves one son, Henry Davis of this town, and one daughter, Mrs. Fred Sheffield of Flushing, L. I.; also one sister, Mrs. William H. King of this town. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 30, Rev. A. R. Nichols of Shrewsbury, a former pastor of the Methodist church, officiating, assisted by Rev. A. B. Gifford. Mrs. A D. Norcross sang, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," "Rock of Ages," and "Come Unto Me." Burial was in No. 1 cemetery.

WILBRAHAM.

Mrs. Wells, who has been sick a few weeks, is convalescing.

Jerome Pease, who was taken ill a few weeks ago, is slowly improving.

The Democratic caucus will be held in the selectmen's room this evening at 7 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gifford and family have returned from a visit in New York state.

Mrs. Clara Edson and granddaughter, Ethel Edson, have been visiting friends in town.

Representative E H. Brewer of Dalton has been the guest of friends in town this week.

The registrars will hold their last meeting before the annual town meeting to-morrow evening in the selectmen's office.

Matthew Bros. have their steam mill located near Cedar swamp and are sawing from 8000 to 10,000 feet a day for owners whose wood lots are located near by.

BELCHERTOWN.

There are 464 registered voters in town, there having been 22 additions during the year.

Dr. A. F. Warren has sold his practice to Dr. S. W. Perry, and has removed to Chicopee Falls this week.

The Ladies' Aid Society has purchased a new range for the parsonage kitchen and it was placed in position Saturday.

The Center schools closed for the winter term on Tuesday, for a three-weeks' vacation. Miss Fisher, assistant principal in the high school, has gone to her home in Fitchburg.

J. J. Garvey is ill at his home with the grip. Mr. Garvey has been section master of the Boston and Maine railroad for the past 17 years, and this is the first time he has been laid off on account of illness.

There are 33 articles in the town warrant for the annual meeting. Among them is one regulating the speed of automobiles. Several electric lights are asked for and $300 is desired for the anti-liquor cause.

The house and barn on the Henry Davis place in the south part of the town were burned Sunday morning about 3. J. A. Polissi lived on the place, which has lately been known as the Sadler farm. The property was covered by insurance.

Edward, 20, the eldest child of Timothy Clifford, died Sunday morning of tubercal peritonitis. He leaves, besides his parents, several sisters and brothers. Funeral services were held in the Baptist church Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Woodbury officiating.

Mrs. R. E. Fairchild has presented to the historical society the first railroad ticket sold in Belchertown on the Boston & Maine, then the Central Massachusetts road, and the timetable dated 1862, on the reverse side of which is the program of the graduating exercises of Amherst college for the year 1862. These are given the society in the name of Benjamin Fairchild, who died while on army duty in the Philippines.

WARE.

Richard G. Moore has returned from Los Angeles, Cal., where he has been for the past year and a half.

Miss Laura E. Paige, teacher in the sixth grade on High street, has returned from her home in Bethel, Vt., where she was called by the illness of a sister.

The Study Club met Wednesday evening with Rev. A. B. Bassett. C. B. Wetherby acted as chairman and William G. Hamilton read a paper on "Industrial co-operation in England." Mr. Hamilton is a native of England and visited his home about a year ago.

There will be a concert in the town hall next Monday night for the benefit of the district nurse fund. The musical numbers, of which there will be 15 to 20, will be chiefly by local talent, and the concert is to be directed by Dr. L. E. Dionne. H. K. Hyde will have charge of the finances.

Miss Mary Lepine and Albert Dorion, both of Ware, were married Monday morning in Mt. Carmel church by Rev. J. T. Sheehan. After a wedding breakfast at the bride's home on Park street, the couple left for a week's trip to New York city. On their return they will live at the home of the bride's parents.

The body of Miss Ella Keefe, who died in Athol Tuesday night, was brought to Ware for burial this morning. Miss Keefe lived in Ware until ten years ago, when with her parents she moved to Athol. She was a niece of Daniel Nolan and Mrs D E. Clifford, and a sister of Mrs. A. G. Crowley of Dorchester, but recently of Ware.

About 50 members of Ware division of Hibernians and of the ladies' auxiliary, who have been engaged in a whist tournament, held a banquet in the Hampshire House Wednesday evening. John J. Kidgell acted as toastmaster, and among those who responded were Miss Mary A. O'Reilley, John E. and Cornelius Fitzgerald. Whist was enjoyed in the parlors later in the evening.

The examination for the clerk-carrier eligible list in the post office was held Monday in the district court room. Edward E Stebbins of Boston conducted the examination, assisted by L Edward St. Onge, assistant postmaster. The eight who took the examination were James Skiffington, Henry C. Clark, Daniel P. Griffin, William Coney, Lionel Grise, Horcins Dupont, John McCarthy and Arthur L. St. John.

Miss Catherine A. Riley and Arthur J. Collette, both of Ware, were married in All Saints' church Wednesday morning by Rev. John H. Murphy, in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. Miss Julia Riley, a sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Patrick F. Drohan of Worcester was best man; William Miller and Everett Le Clair acted as ushers. Mr. and Mrs. Collette will make their home in Ware.

The funeral of Mrs. Susan Gordon, wife of Silas Barlow, who died Thursday of last week, was held at her late home on Clinton street Saturday afternoon. Rev. A. B. Bassett officiating, assisted by Rev. John Wriston, and Mrs. Hattie M. Clark and Miss Annie B. Gould sang selections. The bearers were William C. Gordon of Westfield, Henry Barlow of Monson, Fred Barlow of Gilbertville and C. C. Cook of Ware.

An important meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Hibernians was held in the town hall Monday night, when degrees were worked on 22 candidates, making the total membership now over 200. A lunch was served in the corridor of the lower hall after the work, and later dancing was enjoyed by the large number present. Mrs. Caroline I. Higgins of Northampton was present and also delegations from Warren, Gilbertville and Northampton.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, MARCH 1, 1905

Whatever was the intent of the famous semi-colon law has now become a mere academic question, as they say in the case of arguments which have no practical bearing. For the second time, by its action this week, the Massachusetts Legislature has passed upon its purpose regarding the sale of liquor till midnight by licensed innholders. Last year and this, the majority has been too strong to be overcome that the present law shall stand, limiting sales to 11 o'clock. The fight for repeal has been in the committee and in the effort before the hearings to make it appear that local interests and the majority of the people favored a change and would be benefited by one. But the organized temperance workers have been fully alive to the situation. It would surprise those who are not in position to know to see the large number of remonstrances from all parts of the state which have been put in steadily from the beginning of the session against any extension of the time for selling liquor. The side of the petitioners is not represented by any such demonstration. They put in their petition and rested their case there, trusting also apparently to the ability of their counsel and to the supposed strength of their case. But the churches and young people's societies all over the state have been working faithfully and their constant remonstrance, as it has appeared by the reading from the desks and in the printed journals, day after day, has shown that there is a great sentiment all over the state against permitting the sale of liquor till midnight. Mr. Luce of Somerville put it as the case of a few hotels and commercial travelers against the sentiment of most of the people of the state. But whatever the cause, the House stands by 83 to 126 against the bill and the contest is ended for this year.

Because there has been a great crowd at the Lawson circus it does not follow that there is general belief in the truthfulness of the implications in the Lawson advertisements. If Lawson had fulfilled the expectations which he aroused a few years ago when he was before the Legislative committee in manufactures, he might come before the public with more confidence now. But the fact is that at that time there was about the same bold denunciation of the opposite, represented then by Henry M. Whitney, and the same posing for effect. But when it came to the pinch, he never told the committee anything which was worth anything as an exposure of corruption. The investigation made a prodigious display, but it ended in nothing at all of value to the state in way of purifying such Legislative corruption as might have existed. Hence there is abundant warrant in not being duped to-day by his hysterical denunciations. Yesterday's meeting, with its eager crowd, which has been duplicated to-day, shows how ready the public is for a sensation. Perhaps it shows that some of the people actually believe that Lawson will do something against great corruption. But those who have seen how Lawson fell far below expectations before look upon this performance as a farce, entertaining to the onlookers, an advertisement of Lawson, incidentally, perhaps, a promoter of popular indignation against monopolies and corruption, but nothing important in way of genuine reform.

Queer it is how some seemingly small matters will draw great crowds. The other day one of the largest committee rooms was packed with ice men to protest against the state's forbidding the cutting of ice on great ponds, and yesterday the biggest committee room in the state was thronged with poultry dealers and others who protest against the pending bill to require poultry to be drawn before it is offered for sale. Odoriferous and otherwise vigorous language, a frozen hen in a stage of putrefaction and high personal temper were incidents of this picturesque hearing.

School children in all parts of the state have a direct interest in the bill which was reported in the House unanimously by the committee on education. It is based on a petition of George I. Aldrich, superintendent of schools in Brookline, and it says that school committees shall have control over all organizations composed of children of the public schools which bear the name of the schools and that they shall also have power to regulate contests between any of these school organizations and similar organizations of other schools. Put into other words, this seems to mean that the football and baseball matches have got to such a stage that the boys are regarded as in need of some supervision and that it is believed to be time to let the school committee supervise. Of course the law will apply equally to debating teams and to basketball matches, but such affairs do not carry the pupils to such extremes as the rougher sports.

Another education report of importance is that against any official recognition of music in the schools. Several propositions were pending. One was for a state agent to supervise instruction in the public schools and one was to permit regular instruction in music in the schools. The former proposition was reported against unanimously, but the adverse report on the other had some dissenters. Secretary Martin of the State Board of Education is in favor of instruction in music in the high schools. He made a careful investigation during the recess of the Legislature and his annual report gives strong reasons for his recommendation. He argues that music has a distinct educational value. One feature of his report is the great efficiency and growing demand upon the agents of the board. Now only three are available for general work, against five a few years ago. The board needs more of them and the educational work warrants the employment of more.

It was the latter part of this afternoon when the House reached the school bill referred to above, giving the committee the control of the organizations. Friends of the school boys, headed by Representative Schofield of Ipswich, immediately challenged the passage of the bill, saying that it went too far when it put baseball teams under the management of the school committee, even during the vacations. Friends of the bill replied that in some cases the names of schools had been disgraced by the rough conduct of clubs playing under those names, and that it was best to have some oversight. If they wanted to take some other name during the vacation they could do so, but if they went in the name of the school, they should be under control. But it was replied that this would be encouraging the boys to deception. If they were really of a particular school, they ought to be allowed to take the school name and not hide under something different. The upshot of the matter was that *the bill was defeated by a decided majority.*

It looks as if the insurance companies had become aroused against the bill to permit cities and towns to establish municipal building insurance funds. The bill seemed to be going all right and smoothly and took its first stage easily, but on the second stage it was strongly opposed and the opposition was such as to make it seem probable that the bill will be defeated in the Senate. Under present laws cities and towns are shut out to one of two courses, either they must insure their public buildings in the regular insurance companies, or they may be insured totally. This is in consequence of a decision that towns have no authority to set apart a sinking fund for insurance purposes. It was figured out that it would be good finance to permit such a system, and the bill had strong support in the House, but if the insurance companies fear that it will hurt their business, of course they will kill it in the Senate, if possible.

Every year since the close of the war with Spain the soldiers of that war have come to the Legislature and asked for a law to give them practically full swing in the civil offices of the state. That is, they have asked that they may be appointed to public office without examination, whereas all other persons, except the veterans of the Civil War, must pass examinations. At the annual hearing this forenoon on this petition, there were many women present in opposition, for the auxiliaries of the civil service reform association have interested themselves in this matter. This afternoon the committee on military affairs reported unanimously in the Senate against the petition. This is the first time that the report has been made so promptly. It is of reference to the next Legislature and not a direct defeat, but it is unanimous for the first time since the petition was put in and it looks as if the support of the movement were weakening, considering the growing bad effects of the veterans' preference law relating to the Civil War men in causing poor service to the public.

The committee on agriculture hopes to get after the gypsy moth speedily and to report a bill within a week. Spring is coming and the caterpillars do not wait for the movements of the Legislature, but hatch out as soon as the days become warm.

A crowded hearing occurred this forenoon on the petition for state aid for the proposed canal between Quincy and Taunton, through Brockton. A warm argument was made on general grounds of the benefit of waterways, but specifications were not given. Brockton business men are enthusiastic for the plan and argue that it will save many lives which would otherwise be lost in vessels passing around Cape Cod. But the Legislature is still incredulous. LANDON.

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BRIMFIELD.

Miss Jennie Livermore is spending a two weeks' vacation in town.

Miss Adella Adams, who teaches in Holden, is spending a vacation of four weeks in town.

Elmer Gilbert Plympton, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Plympton, died Saturday after a week's illness with catarrhal bronchitis. The funeral was held at the home Monday, Rev. Samuel Eaton officiating.

About 25 members of the Grange gave Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Brown a surprise party last Thursday evening and presented Mr. Brown with an unabridged dictionary in recognition of his faithful and accommodating services as treasurer of the local Grange since its beginning.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Death of James W. Bennett.

James W. Bennett, 84, died at the home of his son, J. Addison Bennett, Monday afternoon of pneumonia. He was born in Wilbraham in 1821, and spent most of his life in that town. During his life he had been an extensive dealer in real estate and had owned places in many of the adjoining towns. He was a member of the Congregational church in Wilbraham at one time, and was instrumental in building the Methodist church in Glendale, where for a number of years he was a leader of the choir. He leaves one son, J. Addison Bennett of North Wilbraham, and two daughters, Mrs. B. F. Greene of North Wilbraham and Mrs N. P. Merrill of Springfield. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at the Glendale church and burial was in the Glendale cemetery.

Mrs. C. F. Fuller, who has been seriously ill, is slowly recovering.

The public schools of the town closed to-day for a two-weeks' vacation.

WEST WARREN.

Cornelius Sheehan was called to Worcester Saturday by the death of Patrick Sheehan, who died Friday.

Timothy M. Collins, president of division 27 of Hibernians, went to Worcester Sunday to attend a meeting of the presidents of each division in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brodeur returned from their wedding trip Saturday night and are living at the home of Mr. Brodeur's father, Tuffield Brodeur on his farm on the Gilbertville road.

Sophrida, wife of Francais Graveline, died last Friday. The funeral was held in St. Thomas's church Sunday afternoon and burial was in the Catholic cemetery.

John Maka, employed in the No. 4 mill, got his foot caught under the elevator Tuesday morning, and had the three first toes of his right foot badly jammed, and it is feared that it may be necessary to amputate the first.

At a special meeting of the official board of the Methodist church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Moody on High street last Friday evening it was unanimously voted to ask that the pastor, Rev. Eaton B. Marshall, return for another year.

James Beeman, who was employed by William F. Allen felling trees in the woods on the Dunhamtown road, drove the blade of an ax into the instep of his left foot while at work Monday morning, cutting a gash about four inches long through the flesh between the small bones of the foot.

James Carnes, who has been employed as telegraph operator at the Boston and Albany station for the past year, has been promoted as temporary station agent in Gilbertville, and began his duties there Tuesday. He is succeeded by Jesse Teffts of Oxford, N. Y., as operator at the West Warren station.

James H., the ten-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Wier of Main street, died Sunday morning as the result of a two-weeks' illness with bronchial pneumonia. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of his parents, Rev. Eaton B. Marshall officiating, and burial was in the Pine Grove cemetery in Warren.

The St. Thomas's Total Abstinence Society held a meeting Sunday afternoon, when the report of the committee in charge of the recent bazar given under the auspices of the society was heard. The net proceeds were $160. Of this sum the society voted that the treasurer be instructed to place $100 in the Savings Bank in Warren, and the remaining $60 be used to buy a bookcase and other appropriate club furniture. There are 43 members of the society at present.

About 40 men interested in the organization of a club consisting of the Protestants of the town met in firemen's hall Monday night and organized the Quahoag social club. The following officers were chosen: President, Robert Love; secretary, Charles M. Heidel; treasurer, Harry Richardson; directors, Robert Love, Charles M. Heidel, Harry Richardson, William Monat, Joseph F Muheim, William McKenzie, Charles Bragg, George E. Rycroft; prudential committee, Rev. Eaton B. Marshall, John F. Minnick, Robert Love. The committee on finding rooms are directors, and they will report at a meeting to-morrow.

One of the aims of the schools of to-day is to encourage or create in each scholar an appreciation of and a love for the beautiful. Many branches are taught with this end in view, and in almost every schoolroom may be found two or three good pictures, and often a statue or bust.

To the schools of New England has come an extraordinary opportunity. It is possible to obtain, through the generosity of the Boston Herald, and the enthusiastic support of friends and pupils, a fine collection of art treasures, reproductions by Haus Gerber of the famous statues, bas-reliefs and busts. This for the school. In addition, a favorite teacher may have the pleasure of a trip across the continent to the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland, Oregon, and the most industrious pupil may win a prize of a canoe, bicycle, desk, or a shining gold piece. All this is to come through the liberality and enterprise of the Boston Herald, the paper specially dedicated to the home and the school. The Herald prints a coupon each day, pupils and friends save them, and the thing is done. Read all about in the Boston Herald.

Desert Water Trails.

Countless men and women have perished in the deserts of the southwest for lack of rain. Yet had they known how to find it the water was there, often so close that a shallow well would have brought it, says the author of "The Land of Little Rain." There were numberless living things all about them, night travelling creatures, whose well worn trails would have led them to it. The trails begin far back in the scattering sands and hills and converge in a one span broad, white, hard trodden way in the gully of the spring, and why trails if there are no travelers in that direction?

The land is scarred by these thin, far roadways of rabbits and what not of furry folk that run in them. Venture to look for some seldom touched water hole, and so long as the trails run with your general direction you can be sure you are right. But if they begin to cross your path at never so slight an angle to converge toward a point to the left or right of your objective, no matter what the map says or your memory tells you, trust the trails. Their makers know.

"Tips" in the Land of Tips.

Hundreds of men who are fond of sport are compelled, says the London Mail, to refuse tempting invitations to country houses because of the "tipping terror" which is in them.

Here is the little "bill" which confronts the English country house visitor:

The coachman or chauffeur	£0	10
The butler who smiles at him	1	0
The man who valets him	1	0
The head keeper who "places" him	1	0
The under keeper who looks at him	0	10
Total ($20)	£4	0

The above items are based on a three or four days' shoot. For a fortnight's stay the figures would be nearly trebled.

In one large house a collection box is placed in the room of each guest. Into this box the guest places a general offering to indoor servants.

The hostess holds the keys of the boxes, and these are opened at the end of the season, when the contents are divided equally among servants.

How Balzac Worked.

In twelve years Balzac wrote seventy-nine novels besides an abundance of tales and newspaper articles. When in full swing he led the life of a recluse, refusing to see even his most intimate friends. He usually went to bed at 8 o'clock, after a light dinner, and got up at 2 in the morning to resume writing. At 6 he took his tub, lying in the water one hour, after which he drank a cup of coffee. Werdet, his editor, was then admitted to bring proofs, take away corrected ones and wrest, if possible, fresh manuscript from him. From 9 he wrote till noon, when he breakfasted on two boiled eggs and some bread. From 1 to 6 he continued his writing. For six weeks or so he would keep this up; then he would mysteriously disappear for months.

Our Original Troy Pound.

In 1828, when Adams was president of the United States, congress authorized or appointed a commission "to bring to this country a troy pound adjusted to the British standard." When the commission returned the president received the package and broke the seal in the presence of the distinguished men of America. This original weight standard is now in the mint at Philadelphia and is not regarded as being of ideal accuracy by any means. It is made of a very poor quality of brass, is rough in texture and hollow. According to a law now in force, each state is entitled to a copy or duplicate of this standard.

Shark's Death by Drowning.

While herring fishing in Dublin bay on one occasion the steam trawler Royalist landed in its net a shark ten feet in length and weighing nearly half a ton. Paradoxical as it may appear, the shark had met with his death by drowning. The ropes had caught in his gills, so injuring them as to render them useless. The shark had evidently been pursuing a big shoal of herring and had driven them into the net and could not himself escape.—London Chronicle.

Mislaid.

"I mislaid $250 last night."

"Tough luck. Can't you think where you put it?"

"Yes, I know; I laid it on the wrong card."—Cleveland Leader.

Champion Liniment for Rheumatism.

Charles Drake, a mail carrier at Chapinville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After *trying several cures the storekeeper here* recommended this remedy and it completely cured me." There is no use of anyone suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure. For sale by Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

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Early Arrivals of Spring Goods Are Unusually Numerous

All over the store the approach of spring is announced by the daily arrival of new goods and new styles. Already they are shown in considerable numbers. Attention is directed particularly to the preliminary displays in the following lines. These displays give an excellent idea of the new styles, and will help you in planning your spring purchases.

- Women's New Suits, Jackets, Waists and Skirts.
- Women's New Spring Petticoats.
- New Spring and Summer Silks.
- New Black and Colored Dress Goods.
- New Wash Goods.
- New White Goods.
- New Laces and Embroideries.
- Women's New Spring Neckwear.
- Women's New Spring Gloves, Hosiery and Shoes.
- New Spring Models in Corsets.

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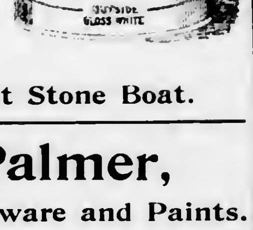

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Surely a Bad Pen.

An Alabama statesman was writing with a noisy, spluttering pen. Laying the pen down, he smiled and said:

"Once I was spending the evening with a friend of mine in Selma. We sat in the dining room, and from the kitchen came a painful, scratching sound.

"'Martha,' said my friend to the maid, 'what is that scratching in the kitchen? It must be the dog trying to get in.'"

"'Huh!' said Martha. 'Dat's no dawg scratchin' de do.' Dat's de cook a-writin a love letter to her honeysuckle.'"

One of the striking points of human nature is that a man usually can see how aptly criticism fits some one else.—Insurance Press.

A Safe Cough Medicine for Children.

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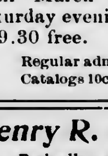

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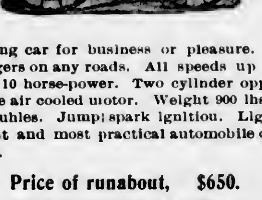

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The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate situate in the town of Palmer in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public, are hereby notified that the taxes thereon severally assessed for the years hereinafter specified, according to the lists committed to me as collector of taxes for said town of Palmer by the assessors of taxes, remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land sufficient to satisfy said taxes with interest and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of said land, if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof, will be offered for sale by public auction in front of the brick building situate on Church street in the Depot Village of said Palmer, owned by the Palmer Savings Bank, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March, A. D. 1905, at 2.30 of the clock in the afternoon for the payment of said taxes with interest costs and charges thereon, unless the same shall be previously discharged.

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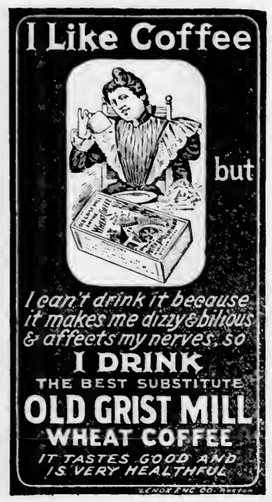

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"You went to bed very late last night," said the girl's mother. "Yes," replied the bright girl, "I had to sit up with a sick man." "What!" "A love-sick-man in the parlor—Mr. Staylate, you know."—Philadelphia Press.

An Atchinson Sunday school teacher may be all right to look after the soul, but she has mighty little regard for the stomach. She entertained her Sunday school class lately, and served pudding at 11 p. m.—Atchinson Globe.

"Here's an account of a big landslide," said the new reporter. "Under what head shall I put it?" "Put it with the real estate transfers," said the city editor, as he wrote, "Continued on the 41st page," in the middle of a four-line paragraph.—Youth's Companion.

McFlub—"I see that Dedbete has resigned from the Grandsons of the Revolution. He had a good deal of trouble getting in, too." Sleeth—"Then why did he resign? Was he disappointed in the order?" McFlub—"In a way, yes. He joined under the impression that membership made him eligible for a pension."—Pittsburg Post.

"So you've got a degree as doctor of music, eh?" said the friend of his childhood. "Yes," confessed the artist, proudly, "it was conferred on me yesterday." "Well, don't suppose you kin hope for much practice yet awhile," mused the friend, "but say—my gal's parlor organ got all smashed to bits when we moved last week. Would you like to try your hand on that?"—Cleveland Leader.

"Well, Silas," said a country woman to her husband, who had just returned from a visit to her son in Kansas City, "how is John gettin' along?" "Fine," replied the farmer. "He's got to be a fine telegram operator up there." "How fine?" asked his wife. "Well," came from the farmer, "he's got to be so fine that they pay him $45 a month an' he takes dispatches on a cash register."—Kansas City Times.

FROM NO MAN'S LAND

By... Izola Forrester

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Alta Vista Villa, No Man's Land, Moon of Poppies.

Dear—Look at above heading and dream a dream of joy. I'm here, and when I saw that name tacked up over the portals of our hotel I said, "Here's where I rusticate just on the strength of the name."

We are up on a bluff—sand bluff. I've been here three blessed, broiling days and haven't found anything in the place yet but sand and bluff. And sea, lots of sea, so much sea that you hope you'll never have to see so much sea again in all your life. Also a bathhouse, tintype tent, peanut pavilion and bathing houses—little, hot, new pine coffins stood up on end. Also girls and girls and girls, from sixteen to sixty, assorted sizes, and all looking for the man. There are lots of him running around in the days of his youth, but for a real man such as we are led to expect, by all the summer lore ever written, hangs his delightful self around summer resorts and wears white duck and brings you water lilies and sighs over a mandolin at you 'neath the pale moonlight there isn't a single specimen wandering for miles around our villa.

Do you know what they call this particular eyrie I have alighted on? No Man's Land. Pleasant, isn't it, after you've toiled over a typewriter while the wintry wind did a ragtime dance around your furless throat and you didn't give a rap because you were thinking of your white waists and your linens and organdies and your heavenly, floppy Trianon hat with its lace veranda, all of which should storm the heart of the summer man and make him fall down and worship by the silvery starlight?

Nancie Bell, it isn't any such stuff. There isn't any summer man, and even if there were and he didn't have sense enough to run away the minute he grasped the situation I wouldn't have a bit of respect for him.

That's all. I shall be home in a few days, just as soon as I have tan enough to bluff the stay-at-homes into the idea that I've had a glorious time and been belle of the beach. Be strong, Nancie. Don't look even at an excursion steamer. If sinners entice thee, dress up in your organdies and walk down Fifth avenue and you'll see more admiring sons of Adam in an hour than you will out here in a week. Haplessly yours,

PERDITA.

Day After Yesterday.

Hello, central! All hail the man! He came, he saw, and Caesar isn't a circumstance. He has taken the large corner room. Mrs. Banks, our general overseer, says he is an exceptional young man. Wonder how much board he paid in advance!

He isn't real young nor real old; just that intermediate age that is so interesting. I don't think he is exactly handsome, but you know what a properly trimmed vandyke and a pair of rimless eyeglasses will do for any man. He's that kind.

This morning he escorted all of us through the glen. Did I tell you that we had a glen? Oh, yes; Glen Ellyn. Just ferninst the villa. It's a break in the sand bluff, and it's damp and piny and darksome at midday. Heretofore the organdie flock had religiously eschewed its ferny swampiness, but you should have seen us trail after him over fen and stump and hidden vine the while he fished out dinky little weeds and discoursed on them.

I opine he is a botanist. Well, it's better than a barber. A letter came for him today addressed to Professor Adrian Vogel. How's that for individuality? He looks it too. He does not dance, and he does not play the mandolin. He goes for his morning dip at some unearthly hour before we are up. In fact, he does not do any of the orthodox summer "manisms," but he has manners and customs of his own.

For instance, he sings, and sings well. There are about ninety and nine muses who group themselves in the parlors after dinner to listen to their Apollo. When he sings "All Aboard For Dreamland" he looks at you as much as to say he has only two passes for the boat, but the other one is for you.

Yachting and autoing he classes as nerve racking, but nature and close to nature's heart and all the rest of it is what the professor's joy is. I think privately we would get closer to nature's heart and the professor's heart, too, if he could be made to understand the expediency of individual lessons for his botany pupils. But he cannot. He calls for a class, and we are all classed.

I hope for the best. So do the other ninety and eight muses. Botanically yours,

PERDITA.

Saturday.

Come to No Man's Land every time for something doing. We have saved the professor's life. If it had only been one of us it wouldn't have been so complicated. A composite gratitude doesn't go far when it has to be passed around. It was long after lunchtime, and he never misses lunchtime. He can put away more fried bluefish and blackberry potpie than five of the muses, but it is only proof of his exceptional excellence, and the overseer never rebukes him.

Did I tell you she was a widow, also interested in botany? I think she stands second best. He likes fried bluefish, etc.

Anyway, we missed him, and there was a swift summer storm stealing blackly up from the horizon, and the sea moaned as it broke in sobs along the shore. They do that kind of thing all right. I used to think that went with the summer man, but it doesn't.

MacGregor Clarence Blair said he hadn't showed up since breakfast, and he'd seen him making a bee line for the glen, and he'd said, "What's yer hurry?" and the professor had said he hoped he could have one morning in peace to study without that thundering crowd of old maids hiking after him.

We didn't believe MacGregor. He looks like a pale, new sand fly, and his father and mother own all of No Man's Land. The professor never in all this world used such words as hiking and thundering, but MacGregor did. Therefore, I may say, in the same common parlance, that the whole thundering crowd of old maids pitched in and lambasted MacGregor until his pretty white linen suit was not fair to see and his twining curls were full of sand burs. Then he howled and retracted, and we all went up the glen after the professor.

The glen deepens and darkens as you go in, and the sides are rocky and precipitous, with much shrubbery and undergrowth and scraggly pine trees listed to windward. And just as the first streak of lightning quivered in the sky we heard a faint shout for help.

It was the professor. He hung suspended in air on the bare limb of a dead pine that jutted out from the rock halfway up the bluff, like Genius on Pegasus, the widow said—on a petrified Pegasus.

Then Genevieve Perley, our college product, said Pegasus couldn't be petrified. He would have to be ossified. And the widow began to cry and sat down on a log and said she didn't care a bit either way, ossified or petrified, and Professor Vogel was such a lovely man and always paid his board like a gentleman, and she hated to see him killed before her eyes, and she never felt so much like fainting before in all her life.

Genevieve said fainting was counted out. He was a fine target for lightning up there, and, while it was none of her business and she had no interest in the professor as a lovely man or in the continuance of his regular board paying, still she thought a rope might be a good thing.

"In mountainous countries," began Agatha, the artist, who has been Europized, "I believe they tie a rope around the waist of one person"—

"It's the shoulders," said Genevieve; "kind of a slipknot."

The professor shouted for help again, this time fainter still.

"No; the waist," said Agatha firmly. "And lower that person over the mountain side until he rescues the other party."

"Let's lower MacGregor," murmured Genevieve, but the widow cried and said her feet were getting wet and she didn't think it was right to joke in the face of death. That braced us up, because the professor did look like it, so while the fleeting moments sped Genevieve and I sped fleeter and found some clotheslines and a couple of husky lads in sweaters from the peanut stand and the boathouse, and we sped back to the glen.

Then the husky lads climbed the bluff on the sandy side and did the Alpine act with the clotheslines, assisted by several ropes from the boathouse, and before our eyes the professor was pulled back to life and liberty.

He is resting now. It is dark and still at the villa. No hops or mandolins tonight. The shock will bring him to, I think, from the botanical dream and cause him to concentrate his joy on some loving, sympathetic heart, and it may be your

PERDITA.

Monday.

I shall be home on the Tuesday boat. The other girls are packing too. The overseer has fainted. Only the professor is serene. He was up bright and early this morning to meet the 6:08 train, and when he came back he had a Mrs. Professor and three little Professor juniors tagging merrily along after him.

No, I don't think men were deceivers ever. I think it was absentmindedness. Only Mrs. Professor gave the muses their crushing blow when she said she was so glad we had all joined the professor's summer botany class, as he had reduced the course rate to $10, and she thought it was the sweetest, most elevating study one could take up. We all assured her it was elevating. It was—for the professor.

And we're all going home tomorrow. Yours for single blessedness.

PERDITA.

A Philadelphia Gallant.

There is nothing that astonishes a woman so much as meeting a man who takes her at her word. A certain very impetuous young woman living in the suburbs of this city experienced this unique sensation when she attended a musicale given by a friend and met a specimen of the too literal male. She was about to leave the house when her hostess called after her: "Oh, don't think of going out on such a stormy night alone. Mr. G. will be glad to go with you. Won't you, Mr. G.?" turning to a gentleman at her right. "Delighted," said the would be escort, beaming on the young woman, and he slipped on his overcoat and stood ready with hat and umbrella in hand. "Oh, please don't bother," said the protesting girl. "You know I am quite accustomed to going out alone. I am not the least bit afraid. I nearly always leave here unescorted." "Oh, well, if that is the case," said the stupid man, "I don't need to go then. I would not think of interfering with your lifelong habits." And without giving the independent young woman a chance to avail herself of his escort he threw off his overcoat and joined a pretty blond at the end of the hallway.—Philadelphia Record.

Genius at Her Feet.

Mrs. Yorke, wife of the dean of Worcester, once described an incident of her acquaintance with Thackeray. She happened, she said, to be sitting one evening between Thackeray and Jacob Omnium, whose build was even more gigantic than Thackeray's own. Conversation, from some cause unknown, was languishing, when Thackeray turned to her and said, "Mrs. Yorke, why are you so silent?" "I am overwhelmed by the greatness of you two," she replied, glancing right and left at their massive frames. Thereupon, moved by common impulse, Thackeray and Jacob slid from their chairs and sat on the ground at her feet, "as a slight token of homage to one whose wit equaled her beauty."

High Thinking and Old Age.

That mental power helps to keep the body strong and to preserve it from decay cannot be doubted. The longest lived men and women have been, as a rule, those who have attained great mental and moral development. They have lived on a higher plane than other men, in a serene upper region, above the jar, tumult and fret that weaken most lives. It was at the age of seventy-five that the Count de Tressan recomposed his old chivalric romances and wrote a history of the progress of the human mind. Herbert Spencer, one of the deepest thinkers and hardest workers of his day, passed away at the age of eighty-three.—William Matthews in Saturday Evening Post.

A Mussy Cook.

I c'd make a chocolate cake 'n' a king might eat off o' my cuffs 'n' collar when I was through, but what surprised me about your chocolate cake, Mrs. Lathrop, was 't you didn't get into the oven with it in the end, for I'll take my Bible oath 's you had 's much on you 's on any pan.—"Susan Clegg and Her Friend, Mrs. Lathrop," by Anne Warner.

A Beautiful Match.

"How lucky," said Mrs. Nuwed, "that I happened to pass that cigar sale this morning! These cigars are exactly the shade of George's new smoking jacket, and the smart little green bands round them will go with the lining beautifully. Men never consider these little things."

Not to Be Blamed.

"Why, Harry, how much you look like your father!" remarked a visitor to a four-year old.

"Yes'm," answered Harry, with an air of resignation. "That's what everybody says, but I can't help it."

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"We were making ready for the trip across the north Atlantic, but our minds were diverted from work by seeing the skipper place a blackboard upon the break of the poop upon which was written 'Sunday.' The skipper, a thorough type of the seaman, called all hands aft. He said: 'I want you to know what is on that board. For you fellows who can't read I will spell it.' Then deliberately he said: 'S-u-n-d-a-y.' You understand it, don't you?' Then he gave the word to throw the board into the sea. Over it went, and as it took the waves he said, 'You all know that was Sunday, don't you?' 'Yes,' answered the men. 'Well,' he continued, 'that will be the last Sunday you will see on this ship.' And it was."—Baltimore Sun.

Usually.

It is usually the young woman who wouldn't have the best man in the world who snaps at the first offer, and the man who is the most cynical about matrimony is pretty sure to propose to the first woman who gives him an opportunity.—Boston Transcript.

Flint and Steel.

Mrs. Highmore (with cold dignity)—To what am I indebted for the honor of this visit? Unexpected Caller—To your careless servant, perhaps, madam. I dare say she forgot that you were not at home.—Chicago Tribune.

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was introduced to the public in 1848, since which time thousands of bottles have been sold each year to an appreciative public, which is a good evidence of its merits. It is adapted to so many ailments it should be in every household, for it cures all kinds of pains both internal and external. For Bronchial affections it is unrivaled by any article in the market. It is a sure cure for Cholera Morbus and Dysentery, if taken in season, also for Coughs. It is an effective remedy for rheumatic affections, stiff joints, swelled limbs, sprains, cramps, toothache and many other ills to which the flesh is heir. Try it and it will do you good. It is sold at 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle by The Quimby Pharmacy, LeGro's Drug Store and the proprietor,

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What Caused It.

"How came you to this?"

"Well, boss, I s'pose I wuz allus a bad egg, an' den I wuz in a bad set too!"—San Francisco Examiner.

Rough on the Smart Set.

She—It does seem as if we should never get into good society.

He—Well, I'm afraid you're right. We seem to be so hopelessly mixed up with the smart set.

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A good opening for a youth.

Too Risky.

"Give me a bite of de apple, Swipesy. I'll only take a lady's bite."

"Wot! Wid dat mouth of yours? Nit!"—New York Evening Journal.

Why He Was So Kind.

She—It was very kind of you to give up your seat to me when the carriage was so crowded.

He—Not at all, miss. We men are getting a bit tired of being accused of only giving up our seats to the pretty girls. That's what it is.—King.

Johnny Was Good.

"I'm afraid, Johnny," said the Sunday school teacher, rather sadly, "that I shall never meet you in the better land."

"Why? What have you been doin' now?"—Pick Me Up.

Seized the Opportunity.

"You must mark down your age in this blank space," said the insurance agent to the beautiful woman.

And she did. She marked it down from twenty-eight to twenty-two.—Cleveland Leader.

A Chicago Alderman Owes His Election to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"I can heartily and conscientiously recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for affectations of the throat and lungs," says Hon. John Shenick, 220 So. Peoria St., Chicago, "Two years ago, during a political campaign, I caught cold after being overheated, which irritated my throat and I was finally compelled to stop, as I could not speak aloud. In my extremity a friend advised me to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I took two doses that afternoon and could not believe my senses when I found the next morning the inflammation had largely subsided. I took several doses that day, kept right on talking through the campaign, and I thank this medicine that I won my seat in the Council." This remedy is for sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

A Man of Promise

[Original.]

Bernice Doane was a country girl—that is, she was brought up in a small New England town. She went away from home to be educated, and before her final return her father died, leaving only the house in which the family had lived. Niles Willman had been a suitor for her hand since she was little more than a child, but Niles had gone to college, where he had been a general fag in term time, a teacher in vacation. This was essential to his education. When Bernice finished at school and went home Willman was struggling in a law school in much the same fashion he had pulled himself through college.

Bernice was a more high bred girl than the other girls in her town. She would have passed in social life anywhere. On her return she learned that a young curate, Tracy Bond, had come to the village during her absence, an intellectual young fellow and very agreeable. He had, however, been brought up in the most aristocratic circles in the land and did not appear to take much interest in the girls of his parish. Bernice was informed by her friends that she must not be disappointed if he failed to notice her. But when she and Rev. Mr. Bond met he not only noticed her, but devoted himself to her. The result was a love affair, and in time Bond called on Mrs. Doane to ask for her daughter's hand.

Now, Mrs. Doane was a very practical woman. During the call she sat quietly knitting, chatting the while with her visitor, gradually getting at the bottom of the young man's ability to make a wife comfortable and taking his measure without his in the least suspecting it.

"My income at present," said the reverend gentleman, with stress on the "at present," "is a mere six hundred a year, but I have a strong friend in the bishop, and the Bond family is by no means disposed to see one of its members left in the lurch. Our family, which I may truthfully assure you is one of the oldest in our state, has"—

"Yes, yes," interrupted Mrs. Doane, "I have heard of the standing of your family. Has it sufficient means to keep up a style of living commensurate with its honorable name?"

"Oh, yes," replied the young man. "My father, it is true, has not attained the success he deserves, but my Uncle Edward is now engaged in putting a copper mine on a paying basis and is just on the eve of success."

"And will share his profits with you, I suppose?" asked the lady dryly.

"Uncle has always been very fond of me," replied the curate uneasily, "but of course since he has eight children I don't count on funds from him. But I am sure of his influence. I am rather looking to preferment in my profession and the sale of some western lands taken by my grandfather for a debt. Bernice is a noble girl and is fitted to take the position I have in view for her. I do not intend that she shall be put to the necessity of doing menial work. My wife shall never go into the kitchen. My family would 'cut' me if I allowed such a thing. I am quite sure it will stand by me in my marriage and will be able to make my path and Bernice's a smooth one."

This ended the interview, and Rev. Mr. Bond departed, feeling that he had silenced any doubts Mrs. Doane might have had as to the expediency of trusting her daughter to one of the old and tried Bond family.

When Mrs. Doane was alone Bernice joined her, holding in her hand a letter from Niles Willman, which she gave to her mother to read. It was a reminder of a youthful promise she had given him, but releasing her if she wished to be released, since she was now a woman of an age to make her future, while he still had years of plodding ahead, with no one but himself to help him. Mrs. Doane handed back the letter.

"Niles is doing something," she said, "and promising nothing, while Mr. Bond is doing nothing and living in a roseate world of expectation that some one will do something for him. You must make your own decision, my daughter. I know that no one can successfully interfere with a girl following the dictates of her heart, but if I were you I would decline Bond and accept Niles Willman."

It was a bitter struggle, but Bernice inherited the practical nature of her mother and rejected the curate and in time married the lawyer.

Rev. Mr. Bond before he left the parish became engaged to one of Bernice's friends. Bernice was a bit shaken when she thought of the handsome curate in his canonicals led to the altar by another. But she tided over her emotions and in time forgot all but her happiness as the wife of a young lawyer, full of pluck and resource, rapidly making his way into a lucrative business.

Ten years after Bernice's marriage and about as many after the marriage of Rev. Mr. Bond, Mrs. Willman and her mother, being in the city where Bond and his wife were settled, thought it a good opportunity to call on them. The doorbell was answered by Mrs. Bond, whose drawn features indicated that she had not found life as roseate as Mr. Bond had promised Mrs. Doane his wife's life should be. Half a dozen children came trooping after their mother, she evidently being nurse and housemaid. During the visit the husband called out in a querulous tone from his study:

"Nan, why don't you bring me up a cup of tea, as I told you?"

Mrs. Bond sighed, excused herself, went out to the kitchen and carried a cup of tea to the man who had declared that his wife should never be her own servant.

FLORA MILLIGAN.

Shoe Shops In Japan.

Like all other shops in Japan, a shoe shop opens a broad side to the street.

It seems a misnomer to call it shoe shop, a place where you can only buy sandals or clogs, things we are not accustomed to call shoes. They are footgear anyway.

There is a low platform in front, upon which the customer sits and drinks tea while making his or her purchases, the shopkeeper meanwhile squatting on his heels and discussing the news of the day.

The sandals worn by the rickshaw coolies are called waraji. They are woven of rice straw and are sold for half a cent a pair. They are made in the country villages, and the foreigner watches the weaving with amused interest.

The prehensile big toe of a Japanese is of great assistance, as it is used for catching and holding the straws, leaving the hands free to weave.

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Dentist (who has pulled the wrong tooth)—I see how I made the mistake. I counted the molars from the back instead of the front. You don't seem to have cut your wisdom teeth yet, young man. Groaning Patient—That's evident from the choice I made of a dentist!—Chicago Tribune.

FARRAR, THE WAIF

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Farrar had never before numbered philanthropy among his sins, but since Miss Curtis had taken charge of the Fresh Air Fund home in the little village where he spent his summers Farrar had evinced a decided interest in the movement.

Heretofore he had labeled children of the fresh air fund variety and otherwise—as unmitigated little nuisances whose chief aim in life was to annoy their elders and bring people's hearts into their mouths by falling into the river or crossing the street in front of a speeding automobile.

He had even complained to the town authorities before Miss Curtis took charge, of course of the noise created by the fifty or more youngsters who resided a few doors below his place, and he had suggested that the home be removed to the woods outside the town.

But, with the advent of Miss Curtis, Farrar's attitude underwent a sudden and thorough change. From the moment he laid eyes on her young, earnest face and looked into her clear gray eyes—all this was at the post office while he was apologizing for bumping unceremoniously against her—Farrar thanked his stars that the town authorities had not listened to his suggestions concerning the removal of the home.

It was because of Miss Curtis that the youngsters of the home held frequent and boisterous picnics in Farrar's pine grove; it was because of her that they often rode—a dozen at a time—in his automobile and picked his gooseberries and currants unmolested.

Certain it was that the fresh air colony ruled Farrar, who explained his change of heart by stating that he had discovered that they were "interesting little brutes." It is extremely doubtful, however, if this interest in itself would have been sufficient to induce him to drive his automobile to the village postoffice with a dozen unkempt urchins clinging precariously to the mudguards. His interest in "the little brutes" was aided and abetted by a frank smile from a pair of clear gray eyes that greeted him when he returned his screeching load to the home.

Instead of cursing the noisy brood at the home he smiled indulgently at their vocal exertions, for that noise was intimately connected with Miss Curtis, and Miss Curtis, all unconsciously on her part, had entered into the place in Farrar's dreams reserved for the one woman in the world.

Farrar walked down the street toward the home in the red glow of an August evening, a huge basket of currants in one hand and a bundle of castoff but still useful clothing (begged personally from young matrons of his acquaintance) in the other. Behind him strode his solemn faced gardener similarly accoutered and evidently of the opinion that the boss was out of his head.

On the veranda of the home Farrar dismissed the gardener and, entering the house, found Miss Curtis in her cool little office.

"I've foraged more or less successfully for the clothes you wanted for your charges," he said, depositing his load, "and I brought you all the currants that are ripe. You can use them, I suppose?"

"You're more than kind," she said gratefully. "You have given me the first ray of light in a long, wearing day. Sometimes I think they're very ungrateful little beasts, and I'm almost tempted to give up this work."

"No," he said eagerly.

She smiled wearily.

"If it wasn't for the question of bread and butter involved"—

"Try something else," Farrar interrupted.

"I'm certainly open to suggestions," she said, with a sigh.

"Well," said he, "I know a place you're admirably adapted to. I know a waif that has some sterling qualities and many faults. I'd like to see him under proper care. If the faults were corrected and the sterling qualities developed, I think he might make quite a man. I wish you'd take him and experiment with him."

"And starve in the meantime?" she asked.

"Oh, no," he said. "The waif is not like these here. He has plenty of money in trust for him, and a part of it could be set aside for his education. What he needs is a personal interest taken in him. He's a friendless sort of chap. That's why I call him a waif."

"Tell me more about this," she urged. "What could I do for him?"

"You could make a man of him, I'm convinced," he said.

"Where are his relatives?" she asked.

"In heaven—I hope," said he.

"Poor chap! And he's all alone?"

"Absolutely."

"And you think I could get a position as sort of governess to him?"

"No," he said flatly; "I don't."

She lifted her brows.

"I think you could make a man of him as—his wife," said he.

She looked at him in amazement. Then she noticed that his eyes sought hers eagerly and that his hand, lying on her desk, trembled.

"He's a lazy, rascal waif," said he haltingly, "but with some one to care for him he might be different."

Miss Curtis rose. The gray eyes seemed looking beyond him and into the future. And evidently that future was satisfactory, for she laid her hand gently on his shoulder and smiled.

"Dear, lonesome waif!" she said.

And because of all this the fresh air fund home is yearly supplied with fruit from the Farrar place, and the fresh air fund children who come, a new lot each year, stay as much with Farrar and his wife as at the home.

RICHARD B. SHELTON.

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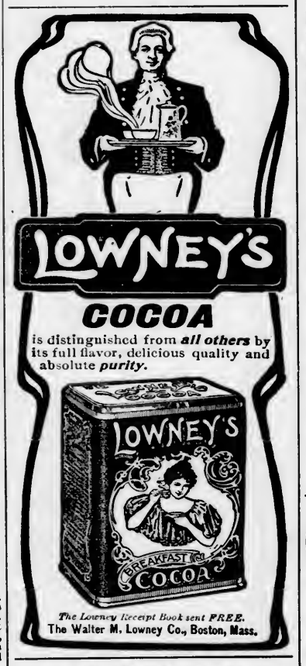

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The caucuses for the nomination of town officers will be held this evening, that of the Republicans at the town house and that of the Democrats in the hall of St. Mary's Temperance Society in Thorndike.

The list of candidates as they will appear on the caucus ballots is given below, and it will be seen that the two ballots differ but little, there being but two places under the more important headings where there is any change; the names of Byram Woodhead and J. A. Hawkes appear on the Republican ballot for tax collector and the name of Mr. Hawkes alone on the Democratic, while for overseers of the poor the Republican ballot has E. W. Carpenter and the Democratic A. A. Warriner. The Republicans offer one more constable than the Democrats, and for cemetery commissioner the names of H. G. Loomis and D L. Bodfish appear on the Republican and Democratic tickets respectively. The fence viewers are totally different lists on both tickets.

It will be noted that there are several new names for selectmen and assessors. For the former office the new candidates are James Summers, the blacksmith, of Palmer, and T. J. Conroy, who needs no introduction to Palmer people. For assessors the name of C. N. Ellithorp is again presented. Mr. Ellithorp ran last year on nomination papers and came within 91 votes of an election; the other new names are L. G. Barker of Three Rivers and B. F. Emery of the Forest Lake district. Outside the contest for selectmen, which is always of first importance, that of assessors is likely to assume largest proportions. There is much dissatisfaction with the work of the board of last year, and an expressed determination to have a change if possible. Beyond these two there is not likely to be anything more than the usual interest.

The voting will be by Australian ballot as in recent years. A special electric car will leave Palmer at 7 30 for the caucuses, and Three Rivers at 8, to accommodate both parties. The caucuses are called at 7 30.

REPUBLICAN.	DEMOCRATIC.
SELECTMEN.	
C T Brainerd	C T Brainerd
T J Conroy	T J Conroy
William Lawton	William Lawton
James Summers	James Summers
J F Twiss	J F Twiss
ASSESSORS.	
L G Barker	L G Barker
H T Bishop	H T Bishop
C N Ellithorpe	C N Ellithorpe
B F Emery	B F Emery
J O Hamilton	J O Hamilton
A A Warriner	A A Warriner
TAX COLLECTOR.	
J A Hawkes	J A Hawkes
Byram Woodhead	
OVERSEER OF POOR, 3 YEARS.	
E W Carpenter	A A Warriner
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 YEARS.	
G D Moores	G D Moores
A J Purinton	A J Purinton
TOWN CLERK.	
J F Foley	J F Foley
TOWN TREASURER.	
J F Holbrook	J F Holbrook
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, 3 YEARS.	
H G Loomis	D L Bodfish
BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 YEARS.	
S O Miller	S O Miller
CONSTABLES.	
G A Bills	G A Bills
M Collins	M Collins
T J Conroy	T J Conroy
T W Holt	J J Manning
J J Manning	E F McKelligott
E F McKelligott	
AUDITORS.	
E W Carpenter	E W Carpenter
C A LeGro	C A LeGro
F A Upham	
FENCE VIEWERS.	
G M Atkins	Dennis Mahoney
E J Fuller	P M Shearer
C S Ruggles	William Whiting
E J Fuller	

Belchertown Town Meeting.

Belchertown held its annual meeting Monday, and there were 299 votes cast. The town went no-license again by 30 majority. There was a close contest for selectmen, A. C. Smith defeating E. C. Witt by 12 votes. No action was taken on the proposal to sell or rent the poor farm. The town voted to limit the speed of automobiles to 10 miles an hour. The appropriation of $676.60 for the grade crossing changes is accountable for the seemingly large sum appropriated, $13,926 60. The town voted the use of the town house to the basketball team, which such restrictions as the selectmen see fit to impose. There was considerable discussion on the new roadway through the Parsons lot to the Center schoolhouse, and the road at Pansy Park, through the Goodell lands. Action on the former was indefinitely postponed, and the latter was left in the hands of the selectmen. The following officers were elected and appropriations made:

Moderator, G. H. B. Green; clerk and treasurer, Arthur Bridgman; selectmen and overseers of the poor, Nelson Randall, E. A. Randall, A. C. Smith; assessors, Guy C. Allen Jr., F. B. Alden, Almon Pratt; school committee, G. H. B. Green; auditor, B. D. Hazen; constables, M. G. Barton, Guy C. Allen Jr., W. N. Goodale, M. F. Austin, D. R Ward; burial ground commissioner, D. R. Ward; tax collector, D. F. Shumway; trustees of Whiting Street fund, Mrs. Guy C. Allen, Mrs. M. A. Morse; trustee of Calvin Bridgman fund, M. S. Barton. Appropriations: Schools, $6000; school building repairs, 400; closets, for Center school, 350; water for Center school, 150; paupers, 1000; highways, 3500; town expenses, 1700; burial grounds, 50; grade crossing expenses, 676 60; tax collector's salary, 100; Memorial Day, 50; total, 13,976 60. Liquor license: Yes, 124; no, 154.

Union Dairy Institute.

The State Board of Agriculture, The Hampshire Agricultural Society and the Massachusetts Agricultural College invite the public to an institute for the consideration of subjects connected with milk and butter production and the management of the dairy at Amherst on Wednesday of next week. The institute will be held at the college with sessions at 11 a. m. and 1.30 p. m. The morning program will be: Prof. J. L. Hills, director of the experiment station at Burlington, Vt., who will speak on "Dairy Insurance Policies;" Prof. J. W. Sanborn of Gilmantown, N. H., who will speak on "Results of a Decade of Extensive-intensive," and "Agriculture in New England." There will also be a discussion and question box, both forenoon and afternoon. During the forenoon from 9.30 to 11 dairy students will operate the various separators, churns and butter workers, and give a practical illustration of the Babcock test. Farmers are invited to take samples of milk and cream to be tested.

MUST BUILD WOODSHED

For Boarding Mistress or Weavers Would Strike.

PECULIAR ACTION OF MONSON MEN.

No Woodshed No Dinner; No Dinner No Work; Mill Owner Has to Make Terms.

A strike, under rather peculiar and unusual conditions, took place at the Glenn mills in Monson Wednesday morning, but happily was of short duration. Mrs. Fozzy keeps a boarding house in one of the company's tenements and many of the employes board with her. For some time she has wanted a woodshed, but the company has not got around to build one. On Wednesday morning she announced to her boarders that they need not return for dinner, as she would serve no more meals until there was some prospect of a woodshed. The weavers immediately went on a strike, and notified the mill owner that they would not return to work until a woodshed was built for their landlady or arrangements made for erecting one at an early date. After a short conference with Mr. Beach, the proprietor, the matter was satisfactorily adjusted, he agreeing to build a woodshed as soon as possible. The weavers went to work in the afternoon and are now getting their meals as usual.

BASKETBALL.

Ware High 64, Northampton Commercial School 16.

Ware high school defeated the commercial school team of Northampton by a score of 64 to 16 in a game in Ware Saturday. The visiting team proved to be a weak aggregation without much knowledge of the game. The line-up:

Ware High.	Northampton Commercial
Harrington, l f,	r g, McDonnell
Brannigan, r f,	l g, Blanchfield
Clark, c,	c, Shea
Skiffington, l g,	r f, Pereault
Ryan, r g,	l f, Styzaynski

Score, Ware 64, Northampton 16. Goals from field, Clark 9, Skiffington 8, Brannigan 7, Ryan 4, Harrington 3, Pereault 3, Shea 2, McDonnell 2, Blanchfield. Goals from fouls, Harrington 2. Referee, "Toni" Riley.

Annual Meeting of Ware Social Science Club.

The annual business meeting of the Social Science Club of Ware was held Saturday afternoon in the Mansion House parlors, which were tastefully decorated for the occasion. The meeting was opened by Miss Ruth E. Tucker, the retiring president, who gave a statement of the condition of the club, and also expressed her thanks to the members of the club for the beautiful gift which had been previously presented to her as a token of appreciation for the efficient services which she had rendered. The gift, which was on exhibition, was a pair of bon bon dishes with a monogram on the upper face of the bottom and on the under side an inscription.

The reports of the secretary, treasurer and auditor were heard and accepted, after which the following officers were elected: President, Miss Sylvia S. Hyde; vice president, Mrs. J. H. G. Gilbert; treasurer, Mrs. J. T. Wood; secretary, Miss Alice Chase; auditor, Mrs. H. P. Cummings; director for five years, Mrs. A. B. Paton.

Following the election of officers tea was served by Miss Mary Sagendorph, Mrs. James E. Clark, Mrs. Charles H. Hyde and Mrs. Frank M. Sibley. The second annual report of the district nurse committee was distributed among the members at the meeting. It contains the report of the secretary, Mrs. Julia M. Spencer, and of the treasurer, Mrs. Caroline A. Blodgett, with a list of those who have contributed to the committee financially. The treasurer's report shows receipts during the past year of $1130, including a balance a year ago of $312, with expenses of $758, so that the present balance is $372. An emergency fund of $82 has been created, from which $56 has been paid out for extra expenses. The report of the secretary gives an account of the work of the district nurse, Mrs. A. G. Heath, which showed that 717 calls had been made in the past 12 months on 120 patients. Of these 66 have been free cases, and 54 bad paid full or part fee.

Orr's Island Deaths.

A large number of people from Palmer and Monson have visited Orr's Island on the coast of Maine during the past ten or twelve years, and many of them have stopped with good Dea. Wilson and his estimable wife. They will be interested and pained at the information contained in the following, contributed to the Springfield Republican by a local correspondent: While we have been viewing the realistic picture, "The Surf at Orr's Island," the little Island itself has been visited with a floodtide of sorrow in the death of three members of one of the oldest and best-known families there. Within the month of February Elbridge Wilson, brother of Dea. Alvin, and whose pleasant face many will remember, Mary Wilson, the nine-years-old daughter of Herbert Wilson, the boat-builder, and now the last one to go, after a brief illness with pneumonia, is his father, Dea. Alvin Wilson, whom all we who have spent a summer under his roof-tree will sincerely mourn as having lost a friend indeed. He was ever willing to enter into all the plans of his "visitors," as he always called the boarders, with his kindly offers to guide and show them just when, where and how to fish, sail, or to enjoy any other of the many pleasures of the shore and bay. He and his faithful wife treated us, not as strangers, but as members of the family who had come home for a visit. We mourn with her, and the other members of the family who are left.

Golden Wedding at Hampden.

Mr. and Mrs. William Leach celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage at their home in Hampden Monday. About 75 neighbors and friends were present, including friends from Springfield, Northampton, East Longmeadow, Wilbraham, Indian Orchard, Palmer and Ellington, Ct. There were three present who attended the wedding 50 years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Leach, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McCray, received. Many valuable tokens of esteem were left, including $50 in gold. An interesting feature was the reading by Rev. Edward Root of Northampton of an original poem written for the occasion by Mr. and Mrs. Leach's daughter, Mrs. McCray.

Probate Court Business.

At an adjourned sitting of the probate court in Springfield Wednesday, the following business of a local interest was transacted: Administrations granted in the estates of—Harriet H. Davis, late of Monson, Adelaide M. Sheffield of Monson administratrix; Laura M. Moulton, late of Brimfield, Elmer G. Tucker of Worcester administrator.

HE SCARED THE SHERIFF.

Hampden Youth Puts Springfield Officer to Flight.

MONKEY WRENCH USED AS REVOLVER

So Boy Claims, but Sheriff Says It was A Real Gun. Costs the Boy $15.

Charles Worthington, an 18-years-old Hampden youth, was arrested Tuesday by Deputy Sheriff Elijah Cope of Longmeadow, who claimed that the former threatened to shoot him while he was attempting to attach some property in Hampden Saturday. The young man was arraigned in the police court in Springfield Tuesday afternoon on a charge of assault and pleaded not guilty. The case was continued until Wednesday morning, when Worthington was found guilty and fined $15.

The affair had its beginning in a fight between Alvin M. Robbins and Byron Tiffany, neighbors in Hampden, early last week, Robbins getting much the worst of the affair. He thereupon brought suit against Tiffany, and Deputy Sheriff Cope was secured to make the attachment on Tiffany's property. The latter, fearing arrest, quietly betook himself to Connecticut, but some of his neighbors protested against the attachment and removal of his property, which consisted mainly of a wagon in the barn. Worthington, with his brother, sister-in-law and mother, came to view the operation, and Worthington took hold of the wagon to prevent Mr. Cope from removing it. Later he went to the house and returned with a revolver and with numerous oaths threatened to put a "cat-hole" in the deputy if he didn't desist. Mr. Cope, not caring to take any chances, left the place without taking the wagon, but warned Worthing that he would receive punishment for his interference. He swore out a warrant against the young man, and went to Hampden for him Tuesday afternoon.

In court Worthington claimed that he had been delegated to look out for Tiffany's property, and that he thought the officer was stealing the wagon. He said he did not know Mr. Cope was a deputy sheriff, and that the latter did not show any badge. He further stated that what the deputy claimed to have been a revolver was nothing but a monkey wrench. His testimony was corroborated by his mother and brother. Mr. Cope claimed that he saw the gun and was so terrified that he could not make the attachment on the property for which he had a writ.

BOWLING.

Otis Company 2278, Northampton 2177.

The Otis Company and Northampton bowling teams rolled a match game on Amazeen's alleys in Ware Saturday afternoon, and the Ware team took all four points, winning by a margin of 101 pins. The summary:

Otis Company.				
McHenry,	188	135	169	483
Robertson,	182	126	151	459
Orrell,	146	187	135	468
Rogers,	170	133	157	460
McBride,	132	143	133	408
Total,	818	724	736	2278
Northampton.				
Collins,	146	140	188	474
Spencer,	122	138	112	372
Fisher,	119	156	154	429
Hinds,	132	131	188	451
Dudley,	161	152	138	451
Total,	680	717	780	2177

Thorndike 3, Three Rivers 1.

The third game in the candlepin series of the town was played Monday evening at Bond's alley in Thorndike before a large audience, and was interesting from start to finish. The Thorndike team played hard to get the lead. The first string was won by Thorndike, the second by Three Rivers, and the third and total by Thorndike, the latter winning by 55 pins. Burnette made one of his famous scores, a single of 99 and a total of 250. Robinson was high man for Thorndike with 88 and 245 to his credit. The summary:

Thorndike.				
Lafarr,	81	67	66	214
McCrea,	81	75	69	225
Riley,	82	75	87	244
Arcotte,	71	78	72	221
Robinson,	78	79	88	245
Total,	393	374	382	1149
Three Rivers.				
Abare,	62	76	75	213
Vient,	72	75	74	221
Rogers,	66	71	67	204
Provost,	63	76	67	206
Burnette,	72	90	75	250
Total,	339	397	358	1094

S. & E. 2008, Palmer Second 1944.

A team composed of employees of the Springfield and Eastern street railway defeated the Palmer second team on Tufts's alleys Monday night. The summary:

Springfield and Eastern.				
Fitzgerald,	123	124	135	382
Monahan,	115	108	148	371
Moran,	131	147	118	396
Talmor,	132	117	122	371
Fay,	145	178	115	488
Total,	646	674	688	2008
Palmer Second.				
Brown,	146	123	140	409
McBride,	127	107	109	343
Daley,	99	138	115	352
Burdick,	164	134	110	408
O'Connor,	155	142	135	432
Total,	691	644	609	1944

Palmer 1227, Bondsville 1181.

Palmer won three points and Bondsville one in a match on Tufts's alleys Tuesday night. This was the fourth match in the candlepin league:

Palmer.				
Tufts,	76	79	78	234
Ahearn,	92	76	76	244
Holden,	86	68	81	235
McBride,	91	92	84	267
Roche,	84	85	78	247
Total,	430	400	397	1227
Bondsville.				
Moore,	78	82	86	246
Sharratt,	80	77	70	227
Hayes,	75	79	75	229
Moriarty,	74	78	80	232
Bowler,	85	68	94	247
Total,	392	384	405	1181

McKenzie's 2, Norton's 1.

The closest contest yet played in the six-team Thorndike league was bowled on Tuesday evening at Bond's alleys in Thorndike between McKenzie's and Norton's teams, the former winning two points to the latter's one, and tieing the fourth string. The game was exciting and full of sport from start to finish, both teams having a total of 1954.

McKenzie's.				
Nephew,	140	117	141	398
Hinley,	139	124	96	359
Bondville,	116	134	123	373
Clark,	134	130	139	403
McKenzie,	124	125	172	421
Total,	653	630	671	1954
Norton's.				
Sullivan,	131	131	90	352
Walker,	130	136	118	384
Arcotte,	100	151	148	399
Furkey,	154	134	136	424
Norton,	127	132	136	395
Total,	642	684	628	1954

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BIG WATER TANK FALLS.

Early This Morning at Palmer Carpet Co's. Plant.

KINDLING WOOD AND OLD IRON LEFT.

Pulled Over by Weight of Ice, 10,000 Gallon Tank Comes Down With Crash.

The large water tank at the plant of the Palmer Carpet Manufacturing Company, erected about two years ago to give additional fire protection, fell about two o'clock this morning, and all that is left of it is a quantity of kindling wood and a few hundred pounds of old iron.

The cause of the collapse was ice on the framework of the standard. The tank was 16 feet deep and 10 or 12 feet in diameter, and located about 60 feet above the ground, its capacity was 10,000 gallons. The overflow began to leak in January, and an icicle was soon formed which reached from the tank to the ground; one side of the framework was covered with ice, which weighed many tons. Various methods were tried to get rid of the ice, among them the water in the tank was heated by steam and then siphoned out, being allowed to flow down over the ice, and in this way the quantity was materially lessened until there was yesterday only about a fifth of the original mass. This proved too much for the supporting framework under the weather conditions, which melted the ice at the ground and left the remainder hanging to the tank and supports. These gave way under the immense weight and buckled nearly in the middle, allowing the tank to drop, and it fell nearly straight down.

There was at the time about 6000 gallons of water in the tank, and the natural supposition would be that there would be a deluge in that immediate vicinity, but scarcely a trace of the water is to be found. This is accounted for by the sudden jolt which the water got when it struck the ground after its drop of 60 feet, which threw it in small drops in every direction. No damage was done the mill by the fall, as the structure fell away from it. The tank and support are a total loss.

Farmers' Institute Next Week.

A farmers' institute under the auspices of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society will be held in the district court room in Palmer next Tuesday at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. The speaker will be Stancliffe Hale of Glastonbury, Ct., a son of J. H. Hale, the celebrated fruit grower of that state, and one of the largest peach growers in the world. Mr. Hale will speak on "Commercial Fruit Growing for Massachusetts," a subject which is of much interest to farmers hereabouts. All are invited to attend and hear him.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, MARCH 8, 1905.

So much progress has been made in the political year, and so much satisfaction has been found by the governor in his administration; so bright are the political skies and so sure seems the Republican vote which went for Douglas last November that the conclusion has already been reached in the gubernatorial mind to try political luck again this fall. This purpose has not yet taken the form of an open candidacy, but the people may accept it as a fact and govern themselves accordingly. Of course the governor does not want to die a political yearling, and the situation to-day is largely in favor of the proposition that he will not. In the first place, there is the large number of Republicans who voted for him with the purpose of trying what a shift in the administration would accomplish. All of these will doubtless support him in the fall, unless something more happens to make them dissatisfied than has occurred yet. Then there are the conservatives who voted for Bates, but are willing to support any administration which proves that it is conservative like them and safe. On the other hand, those who voted for Douglas, but meant to give Bates a scare, not believing that he could be defeated, may vote the Republican ticket in any event. Then there is the labor vote which supported Douglas because he has always been a good labor man, but which differs from him on the question of industrial education and has yet to see what he will do with labor measures pending in the Legislature. Much depends upon the Republican leader to be selected. But the candidacy of Douglas for another term may be accepted as certain, whatever the Republicans may do. He has made friends at the statehouse, and no enemies.

Liquor problems have been rather more prominent this year than last. The question whether the manufacture and distillation of liquor should be allowed in this state was hotly debated two days. Monday it came up on the question of ordering to a third reading a bill to permit the practice, which had been reported by a majority of the committee on mercantile affairs, on which occasion the bill was defeated, and Tuesday, the friends of the measure tried to get a reconsideration, but lost, by 68 to 86. Mr. Taft of Worcester was leader of the opponents of the bill, and Mr. Potter of Worcester was in charge of it. The plea was made for the bill that it was in no sense a temperance measure and that the temperance people did not oppose it, but, for all that, there was quite a temperance sentiment aroused over it before the discussion was finished and it was evidently that element which defeated the bill. One incident of the debate was the development of the fact that our laws forbid any foreign corporations to do what cannot be done by state corporations. It was argued for the bill that if it were not passed then would-be incorporators could go to Maine or New Jersey and get a charter and then do business in this state. It was said that such corporations are now doing a distilling business here. Mr. Taft then warned the friends of the bill that they might be getting their clients into trouble by calling attention to this violation of law so that they will be prevented from going on in business hereafter. Hence it is possible that the effort to pass this bill will result in restricting business now carried on, as well as in preventing the formation of new corporations for the same purpose. The honor of the state was thought to be at stake in preventing the operations of liquor corporations within its limits at all.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 10, 1905.

LOCAL NOTICES.

LOST, on Pleasant or Church streets, between Memorial Hall and the railroad bridge, Thursday, Feb. 23, an oak tray containing about 500 index cards, about 60 of which had been written on. Liberal reward for return to LeGro's drug store.

PALMER NEWS.

Woman's Club Guest Night.

The Palmer Woman's Club will hold its annual guest night on Friday evening of next week, and the place will be Masonic Hall. Miss Foye, the reader who so pleased those fortunate enough to attend this event last year, will again be present as entertainer. Club members who have not yet secured their tickets may have them by applying to Miss May Robinson at the public library, and may secure extra tickets on the payment of 50 cents each.

New Business Block.

The Smith house on Main street, opposite the foot of Thorndike street, has been sold to E. W. and C. H. Burns, and if their plans materialize there will be a material change in the appearance of that section of the business part of the town. It is their intention to erect on the property a three-story brick block, which it is rumored will be used for hotel purposes above the ground floor, which will contain stores.

Town Reports Next Week.

The town reports are well along toward completion, and it is expected will be mailed to the voters early next week, probably Tuesday. The usual method will be followed, and the books sent to the voters in the precincts in which they vote, regardless of where they may get their mail. Women taxpayers who wish a copy of the report may secure one by calling on or addressing Town Clerk Foley.

Wednesday was Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent.

Fred Reimers has opened a lunch room in Eager's block.

F. B. Pope of Bennington, Vt., visited Palmer friends Monday.

W. E McDonald and son have returned from a trip to Washington.

Michael Barrett and Frank Hamilton have been drawn as jurors.

Miss Mary Roche has returned to Springfield for the millinery season.

There will be preaching in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Earl Bard paid a flying visit to the sportsmen's show in New York Monday.

William Desmond has secured a position in the telephone exchange in Springfield.

The Penelope Club met last evening at the home of Mrs. Roy Adams on Chestnut street.

Miss Louise Converse of Warren is visiting her uncle, W. W. Converse on Park street.

Mrs. C. M. Wing will give a card party at her home on Central street to-morrow afternoon.

Dr. E. E. Hill has moved his family into the house of Mrs. Walter Winter on North Main street.

There will be a meeting of the Once a Week club in the Converse House to-morrow evening.

One "drunk" appeared in the district court Tuesday morning and was probated until April 3.

The W. C. T. U. will meet in the reference room of the public library next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Telephones have recently been installed in the office of C. G. Thomas, 53-3, and Tufts's bowling alley, 25-2.

The grade and district schools of the town will close next Friday night for the spring vacation of two weeks.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30.

Superintendent of Schools R. J. Fuller attended a meeting of the Massachusetts superintendents in Boston to-day.

Rev. Dr. C. Ellwood Nash of Boston spoke at the Universalist church Sunday morning, and there was a special musical program.

The Y. P. C. E. of the Baptist church will give a musical and literary entertainment in the church parlors, next Tuesday evening.

The annual meeting of the Quaboag Country Club will be held at the clubhouse on Wednesday evening of next week at 8 o'clock.

The ladies of the Universalist church served a supper Tuesday evening to 100 guests. This will be the last supper until after Easter.

The J. F. Gallivan building company has taken a contract for building on a large extension to the Easley cotton mills at Easley, S. C.

Thomas Blanchard is attending a horse sale at Cambridge, Ind., this week, and will visit his son, John Minor, in Colorado, before his return.

J. M. Rubin and wife of Pittsburg, Pa., and Miss E. Ruben of Des Moines, Iowa, have been visiting their sister, Mrs. J. Simmons, on Park street this week.

Miss E. E. Corcoran has returned from New York city. Mrs. Grace T. Corcoran of New York spent the first of the week as Miss Corcoran's guest at the Converse House.

The selectmen viewed on Monday afternoon the premises through which it is proposed to run a new street from the upper end of Maple street toward School street, but not through to that street.

The Palmer fire department has received $25 from S. W. Lawrence in token of his appreciation of their efficient work in saving his barn on the King Knox farm where the house was recently burned.

Monday was probation day in the district court and nine reported. The cases of two were continued until April 3, and seven were discharged. Three failed to report, and a capias was issued for one of them, Oscar Hokamaki.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Congregational church will hold a food sale in the church parlors next Wednesday afternoon. In the evening they will present an entertainment, "Graduation of the Palmer high school in the year 2000."

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be, "The One Work of Church Members." Sunday school at 12; Y. P. C. E. at 6; song service at 7, followed by a sermon on "The Cause of Condemnation."

P. J. Kelly, the dancing master, is arranging a minstrel show to be given by the young people, rehearsals for which began yesterday afternoon. The date for the performance has not yet been announced, but it will not be until after Lent.

The second of the dances given by the Women's Relief Corps Wednesday evening was well attended and, as was the first, greatly enjoyed by those who have danced but little in recent years, for whom it was especially arranged. Light refreshments were served.

Warwick Castle of the Knights of King Arthur met Wednesday evening in St. Paul's church and initiated seven new members into the degree of Page. Regular meetings will be held every Wednesday evening at 7. Applications for membership may be made to Clayton Maxwell, John Hall or Rev. W. A. Moore.

A warm rain fell all day Wednesday and assisted materially in thawing the snow and ice. Yesterday was also warm and water ran freely in the streets It will take much warm weather however to free the highways of ice, as in some places it is fully twelve inches thick.

C. A. & L. A. Royce have bought the "Randall" place on North Main street, and will erect spacious greenhouses on the property. They have for some time conducted a similar business on Maple street but have been cramped for room. Their new purchase will give them ample area for the extension of their business, which has been very successful.

The registrars of voters will meet in the selectmen's room in the library building to-morrow from noon until 10 o'clock at night for the purpose of correcting the voting list. The assessors will also be in attendance from 2 p. m. until 10 to assess any who may have been overlooked but who desire to be assessed in order to vote at the annual town election.

The Journal has been asked regarding communications on town matters for next week's paper. Communications will be printed under the usual rules: The name of the author or someone who stands sponsor for the article must accompany it, though not necessarily for publication. Communications must be handed in by 9 o'clock of Thursday morning.

The mid-week Lenten services opened auspiciously at St. Paul's church last night. Rev. F. M. Bissell, the district superintendent, spoke in a practical manner of the Christian church, its ideals, work and present accomplishment. Next Thursday the speaker will be the Rev. Vincent E. Tomlinson D. D. of Worcester. Those who attend are requested to bring gospel hymns No. 5.

Judge Kenefick in the district court was called upon Saturday morning to adjust the case of Jessie Bovat, a 14-years-old girl charged with larceny. She had worked in the family of H. A. Nortbrop and had appropriated to her own use a large number of articles of clothing. She pleaded guilty and promised good behavior, and the case was continued until July 1.

Services at St. Paul's church Sunday as follows: Morning worship at 10.45; subject of sermon, "The Forgiveness of Sins." This is the first of a series of seven Lenten sermons called "Messages from Golgotha," each having its origin in words spoken by Jesus on the cross. Sunday school at 12, Junior Y. P. C. U. at 4, evening prayer at 7, with sermon by the pastor on "Some Objects of Hope."

The annual meeting of the Young Men's Library Association was held Monday evening and these officers elected: President, C. B. Fiske; vice president, C. H. Hobbs; secretary, Fred Wilder Cross; treasurer, L. E. Chandler; librarian, Robert J. Fuller; trustees, the president, and S. H. Hellyar, C. H. Hobbs, O. P. Allen and R. J. Fuller. The meeting was adjourned for one week.

The following are among the suits filed in the superior court in Springfield this week: Actions of tort—Adam Dymon of Ludlow against Stephen J. Rapalus of Ludlow, for injuries received while in the defendant's employ, by reason of alleged defective machinery, $5,000; Albert Shelega of Palmer against Simona Jorczak of Palmer, for alleged malicious accusation of of perjury, $1000. Complaint for bastardy—Jennie Reilly of Palmer against Derrick Brunelle of Ware.

The fire hydrant at the corner of Main and Walnut streets, which was last week thought to be frozen, proves to be all right. It was used at the time of the lunch cart fire, and in shutting it off the valve was closed so tightly that it took two men to open it. Superintendent of Streets Brainerd tried to open it and failing to start it concluded that it was frozen; later Manager Gamwell of the Palmer Water Company put two men on the wrench and it opened all right, there being no sign of frost in it.

The six children of Frank Green of Fox avenue were in court Tuesday morning in answer to a complaint from Agent Bullock of the Hampden County Children's Aid Society that they were neglected. The father is a hard working industrious man, but the mother is dead and the youngest child is two while the oldest is only 15, and they were not being cared for as they should be. Some of the neighbors and acquaintances interested themselves in the matter and on their promise that there should be a bettering of conditions the case was continued until April 6.

The pupils of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades of the grammar school will hold exercises in the assembly hall on Friday afternoon of next week at 2.45. Parents are cordially invited to attend. The exercises by the seventh, eighth and ninth grades last Friday were well attended. The program was:

The Pilgrim Fathers.	Grades 7 and 8
Recitation.	Harold Andrews
Vacation Song.	Grades 8 and 9
"Snow-Bound."	Grades 7 and 8
The Water Lily.	Grades 7, 8 and 9
Recitation.	Doris Muller
A Song of Joy.	Grades 7 and 8
Recitation.	Edward Rice

America.

The selectmen gave a hearing Monday afternoon on a petition of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to erect poles on Converse avenue and the upper end of Central street. It was represented that the company is at present using poles of the electric lighting company, and if this company made certain changes in its system the telephone company would be obliged to remove its wires from the present poles to some of its own. The company did not claim that the new poles would enable it to give any better service than at present, or that it had any prospective new subscribers which it could not reach under the present arrangement. On the other hand every abuttor on the street appeared and protested against the permission. The case was all with two objectors, and after considering the matter a day or two the petitioners were given leave to withdraw.

The street railway company has been criticised severely at times for not running extra or large cars from the villages to Palmer on evenings when special events were scheduled, the last time being Wednesday evening of last week, when there was a bowling match and an Odd Fellows' smoker and 113 persons came down on one small car. The managers of the road are anxious to provide all the cars necessary for the comfortable accommodation of the traveling public, but can hardly be expected to keep the run of all social events and entertainments of one kind and another, and persons having knowledge of events of this kind which are calculated to call out more than the average number of passengers will confer a favor by calling up the office of the company and giving information concerning it. It is a hard matter to estimate the amount of travel; it was only a few days ago that the company was informed that a large number of people would be in Palmer on a certain evening and wished to get home at a later hour than the regular car; the company obligingly held the last car 30 minutes and then carried out only two passengers on it.

THREE RIVERS.

Denis Horgan is visiting friends in Boston.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold a sociable next Tuesday evening.

George Jordan is confined to his home on Springfield street by illness.

Edward Blue has resumed his duties in the Palmer mill after an illness.

Alphonse Heurichon has resumed his duties in the cloth room of the mill.

W. H. Mayhew of Providence, R. I., has taken a position in the Palmer mill.

Leon Henrichon Sr. is confined to his home with an attack of the grippe.

Howard Ryley of Springfield has taken a position in the card room of the mill.

Miss Dora Hayes of Bondsville is visiting Miss Emma Bruce at the Wenimisset.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Henrichon are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

J. T. Geer attended the National Fruit Growers' Convention in Boston Wednesday.

Mrs. J. H. Trickett and Mrs. M. Foskit are visiting Mrs. G. C. Rycroft at West Warren.

Miss Maude Hamilton of Ware spent Sunday with Miss Emma Bruce at the Wenimisset.

Mrs. Albert Dutton of Sturbridge is visiting Miss Martha Aldrich on the Belchertown road.

The Rain and Shine Club of this place met with Mrs. Edward Sharratt in Bondsville Tuesday.

Willis A. Calkins has recovered from his recent illness and has resumed his duties at the mill office.

The street railway company commenced last Saturday running double truck cars for the first two hours after 6 o'clock.

Thomas J. Coogan has resigned his position in the machine shop of the Palmer mill and has taken a more lucrative one in Walpole.

H. Rabenevitz has moved his store to Springfield, and E. Portrais will move into the house formerly occupied by Mr. Rabenevitz.

As there was no school in the Thorndike grammar schools yesterday many of the teachers and scholars visited the schools in this place.

Herbert H. Howes of Windsor, Ct., a former principal of the grammar school of this place, spent Sunday with friends at the Wenimisset.

Next Sunday morning Rev. Charles Olmstead will exchange pulpits with Rev. L. L. Beeman of Bondsville. The subject of the evening service will be "The Secret of Strength."

Mrs. C. M. Brekenfeld, a former resident of this place, who has been spending the last five months at her old home in Hamburg, Germany, returned Saturday on the steamer, "Blucher" and is visiting Mrs. H. A. Shaw.

Charles S. Smith met with a painful accident last Saturday night near the residence of F. A. Upham. Mr. Smith fell on the ice striking his head on a stone step and received a bad cut. He was attended by Dr. S. O. Miller.

Miss Gertrude Aldrich has resigned her position as stenographer in the office of the Palmer Mill. Miss Aldrich has made many friends in Three Rivers during the four years she has lived in this place, who will regret her departure.

An evangelistic service will be held in the Baptist church next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mr. Hugh Reed of South Wales, Eng., will speak and Samuel Paul of Springfield will sing. They will also speak and sing at the evening service at 7 o'clock. All are invited to these services.

THORNDIKE.

Given Surprise Visits.

Miss Eva Valey was paid a pleasant surprise visit by friends on Saturday evening at her home on Church street and presented a handsome pair of opera glasses. The evening was passed with music, dancing, games and refreshments. Guests were present from Monson, Wales, West Warren, Three Rivers and Thorndike.

A large number of young friends called on Miss Bella Masse at her home on Main street Saturday evening and gave her a pleasant surprise and presented her with a silk dress pattern. The evening was enjoyably spent in games, and refreshments were served.

Mrs. Charles H. Hobbs of Church street is spending the week in Boston.

Mrs. Henry A. Hill of Southbridge paid a visit to old friends here yesterday.

"Stations, or Way of the Cross" exercises will be held this evening at 7.30 at St. Mary's church.

Mrs. George Mathews was called to Canada Tuesday by the sudden illness of her father.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Trumble entertained a friend from Chicopee at their home Sunday.

Miss Mary Flynn returned Monday from a visit with Dr. Collins and family of Northampton.

Miss Ellen Cunningham of Worcester is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Ellen Cunningham on School street.

Mrs. Young of Main street entertained her married daughter of North Adams at her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Clifford are entertaining Mr. Clifford's sister of Worcester at their home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tagan of Warren visited Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Lawlor on Summer street this week.

Mrs. Evans of Indian Orchard was the guest of Mrs. J. Grandfield over Sunday at her home on the Ware road.

Mrs. Frederick Edwards and daughters of Boston are guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Mooers on Commercial street.

Miss Grace Miller of Blanchardville visited her grandmother, Mrs. Hannah Loftus on Commercial street Sunday.

Misses Julia and Ida Coleman of Ware, formerly of Thorndike, were guests of their cousin, Miss Melina Gingraw, Sunday.

Misses Kathryn and Mary Fleming will leave Monday for New York, where they will attend the spring and summer millinery openings.

Miss Annie Longtine returned to Springfield Monday after passing Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Longtine Sr. on Church street.

Mrs. Daniel Flynn, wife of Police Officer Flynn of Pittsfield, formerly of Thorndike, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward McKelligott on Gay avenue.

Wednesday being "Ash Wednesday" the first day of Lent, services were held in St. Mary's church, when the blessing and distribution of the blessed ashes took place.

Mrs. Thomas Murphy slipped and fell on the ice near her home on Main street Sunday. She was rendered unconscious for a short time, but it is thought she will fully recover.

The benefit dance given for Patrick Riley, the blind boy, in Union Hall on Friday evening was well attended and much enjoyed. A small sum will be netted after expenses are paid, which will be turned over to Mr. Riley.

There was no school yesterday on account of the basement of the school building being flooded, which put out the fires in the furnaces. The water, which flowed back from the sewer pipes, was three feet deep. Pumps were used to get the water out.

BONDSVILLE.

Two Deaths in One Family.

Mrs. John Griffin, 90, died at her home on Prospect street last week Thursday evening, after a lingering illness. Her death was due to old age. Mrs. Griffin was a native of County Kerry, Ireland, and had lived in this country about 55 years, practically all of which had been spent in Bondsville. The funeral was held Saturday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Bartholomew's church, Rev. B. McKeany officiating. The bearers were John Connor, James Griffin, John Thomas, James Sullivan, Richard Thomas, all of this village, and Daniel Kennedy of Belchertown. Burial was in the Thorndike cemetery. A sad feature was the death of Mrs. Griffin's sister, Mrs. Thomas Griffin, which occurred during the absence of the family at the funeral.

Mrs. Thomas Griffin, 72, died at her home on Prospect street last Saturday morning, after an illness of about seven weeks of heart failure. Mrs. Griffin came over to this country at the same time with her sister, and had also lived most of her life in Bondsville. She leaves four children, Miss Kate and Miss Joe Griffin, and Michael Griffin, all of this village, and Mrs. John Powers of Millers Falls. Mrs Griffin's husband died 16 years ago. The funeral was held Monday morning at 9 o'clock with a requiem high mass, Rev. B. McKeany officiating. The bearers were the ones who officiated at her sister's funeral. The funeral was largely attended by relatives and friends. Burial was in the Thorndike cemetery.

Master Laurence Donovan is sick with the grip.

Olin F. Parent has been spending a few days in Rutland.

Mrs. Thomas Russell of Lowell is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell.

Mrs. A. J. Martin of Agawam, formerly of this place, visited friends here Sunday.

James Convery of Holyoke spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Convery.

Miss Leila Beeman has been confined to the house a few days this week with a severe cold.

William Mansfield has sold his farm and buildings to William Smith, a Polander in this village.

Rev. L. L. Beeman will exchange pulpits next Sunday with Rev. Mr. Olmstead of Three Rivers.

Miss Edna Taylor of Amherst visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor over Sunday.

Miss Ora Parent of Framingham visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Parent over Sunday.

Miss Marion Knowlton of Amherst spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Knowlton.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold a meeting next Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Collis.

Miss Elsie Alden is substituting as clerk in O. A. Parent's store during the absence of Miss Smart of Three Rivers.

Mr. and Mrs. George Adams have commenced housekeeping in one of R. L. Bond's tenements on Main street.

Peter Pigeon has moved into the tenement over Clark & Hastings' market, recently vacated by Joseph Cowles.

William Pigeon has moved his family into the tenement owned by R. L. Bond and recently vacated by Mrs. Culver.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Holden spent yesterday in Stafford Springs, Ct., as guests of Mrs. Holden's brother, A. C. Rodman.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church held a food sale in the remnant room of the Boston Duck Co. this afternoon.

Miss Margaret Carmody, who has been ill with the grip for the past few weeks, is much improved and able to be about the house.

The fourth quarterly conference of the M. E. church will be held this evening. It is expected that the presiding elder will be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Connor of Millers Falls were guests of Mrs. Connor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Sullivan, the first of the week.

H. C. Morgan has moved his family from R. L. Bond's tenement on Main street to one owned by Mrs. Maria Bond on Crawford street.

Mrs. John Powers and children of Millers Falls are guests of Mrs. Powers' sisters, Misses Kate and Joe Griffin on Prospect street.

Charles Banister returned last Sunday from the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield and is able to attend to his duties for the Boston Duck Co.

Letters for the following people are advertised at the post office in this village: Mrs. Conroy, Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards, Aetna Mills and Mrs. L. M. Stuart.

A meeting of the Sunday school board of the M. E. church was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. O. A. Parent to make arrangements to secure more teachers for the Sunday school.

The King's Daughters' Circle held a meeting for sewing at the home of Mrs. E. G. Childs Wednesday afternoon. The next regular meeting of the circle will be held at the home of Mrs. George Gunn.

C. L. Holden & Sons have quite a curiosity in one of their show windows at their store in the shape of a Springfield Republican, which is 70 years old, it being printed in the year of 1835. The reading is somewhat different from that found in the paper in these modern times. The paper is on exhibition through the kindness of Henry Talmage, who is the owner.

The King's Daughters' Circle held a regular meeting Monday evening at the home of Mrs. E. G. Childs. After the meeting a social was held for the members which was much enjoyed by all present. Light refreshments were served and an entertainment was given consisting of charades, readings by Miss Lucille Dunton and Miss Grace Childs and singing by Miss Edith Childs and Miss Genevra Billings.

A lively runaway took place Monday morning, when Adolph Feinsinger's horse became frightened on Main street in the north end of the village and took a course known only to itself, back of the Boston Duck Company's houses, across the ball grounds and over one stonewall, then continued down the street some distance before it was stopped. No damage was done to the horse or team with the exception of one step on the shafts being broken off.

WARREN.

Converse—Hobbs.

Miss Florence Converse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew A. Converse, and Lewis N. Hobbs were married Tuesday afternoon in South Boston by Rev. Rufus A. Dix, formerly pastor of the Universalist church here Miss Mary Converse, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Daniel A. Hathaway was best man. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs will return to Warren and will live on Southbridge street.

The high school closed to-day for a week's vacation.

Mrs. G. M. Witt has returned from a visit in Springfield, Vermont.

The Eastern Star gave a public whist party in Memorial Hall last evening.

Mrs. W. H. Fairbank has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Webber, of Holyoke this week.

The Nonpariel Whist Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. R. T. Torkelson Wednesday afternoon.

Principal C. N. Perkins of the high school entertained the seniors of the school at his home on Elm street Wednesday evening.

A large party from this town attened the dancing party given by the West Brookfield Golf Club at Brookfield Monday evening.

The Tuesday Club and invited guests will listen to an address by Mrs. Maynard of Springfield next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Lincoln on Bacon street.

There will be a series of special Lenten services in the Universalist church every Friday evening at 7.30 for the next seven weeks. This evening they will meet with Mrs. Frank L. Harwood of Quaboag street, next Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Ellis of Maple street, the 24th with Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ellis of Maple street, the 31st with Mr. and Mrs. William H. Skerry of High street, April 7 with Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Comins of Crescent street, April 14 with Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Ball of East Main street. April 21 there will be a communion service at the church, and April 23 Easter services at 4 o'clock.

WEST WARREN.

Drug Store Burned Out.

Fire was discovered in the drug store of Edmund Chattelaine in the Marcy block on the corner of Main and North streets Sunday morning at 9.30. An alarm was rung in from box 27, and owing to the prompt response and hard work of the firemen the fire was confined to the room where it originated. The blaze was discovered by George Hutchinson, who had gone to the store on an errand and finding it closed, looked through the window of the door and saw flames at the rear end of the store. What caused the fire no one can tell. Mr. Chattelaine stopped at the store on his way to church and examined the stove, and when he left the store everything was apparently all right. Only about half an hour later the fire was discovered. The stock and fixtures belonging to Mr. Chattelaine are about a total loss, partly covered by insurance. His stock and fixtures amounted to about $2000. The damage to the building, which is owned by F. F. Marcy of Palmer, amounted to $350, covered by insurance.

Mrs. John Hilton and three children are spending a few weeks' vacation in Providence, R. I.

The public schools closed last Friday for a two-weeks' vacation. Miss Florence W. Keith has gone to her home in Bridgewater, Miss Grace M. Carpenter to her home in Milton and Frank Hutton to his home in Kingston, N. Y.

Miss Antoinette Masse entertained a dozen of her young women friends at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Masse on High street Monday night. Games and music were enjoyed, after which refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Remi Delage gave a mardigras party to about 30 of their friends at their home on School street Monday evening. An enjoyable evening was spent with whist and other games and dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

Mrs. Annie Chapman, widow of William Chapman, was married to Joseph Ladue of Ludlow Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Chapman on Pleasant street, Rev. Eaton B. Marshall officiating. The couple left Tuesday evening for Ludlow, where they will reside.

The public initiation and banquet given by the French Canadian Artisans in Faneuf's hall Sunday afternoon was largely attended. Ten new members were initiated, after which a banquet was served. The following toasts were given, with Rev. Philias Trottier, chaplain of the Artisans, as toastmaster: "The Pope," by Rev. J. N. Campeau of Three Rivers; "The President of the United States," by F. Beauchemin of Springfield; "Canada," by J. E. Baziu of Millbury; "French Canadian clergy," by Rev. M. M. Marcband of Holyoke; "The supreme council," by A. J. Lajoie of Worcester; "The executive council," by J. A. Dupont of Ware; "The local councils," by A. S. Gariepy of Gilbertville; "The Artisans of the United States," by O. A. Bourke of Worcester; "A liberal profession (medicine)," by Dr. J. E N. Bohemier of West Warren and Dr. R. J. Giroux of Linwood; "The press," by Alexander Belisle of Worcester, A. Normandin of Springfield and L. Demers of Warren; "The home council," by Pierre Brosseau of West Warren; "Women," by J. Heneault of Webster. The society in this town has a membership of 136 and is one of the strongest in this vicinity.

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MARRIED.

In West Warren, 7th, by Rev. E. B. Marshall, Joseph Ladue of Ludlow and Mrs. Annie Chapman of West Warren.

In Ware, 8th, by Rev. A. B. Bassett, Richard Garfield Moore and Edith Lavira Richardson.

In South Boston, 7th, by Rev. Rufus A. Dix, Lewis H. Hobbs and Florence Converse, both of Warren.

DIED.

In Bondsville, 2d, Mrs. John Griffin, 90.
In Bondsville, 4th, Mrs. Thomas Griffin, 72.
In Monson, 7th, Mrs. Margaret Danihy, 66.
In Ware, 2d, Miss Charlotte Miner, 27.
In Ware, 4th, John Glavin, 30.
In Ware, 4th, Charles Bolton, 76.
In Ware, 4th, Francis X. Bousquet, 50.
In Ware, 6th, Mrs. Susan A., 46, wife of Charles H. Wetherby.
In Northampton, 7th, Thomas J. Tamplin, 74, of Ware.

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FOR SALE—Cushion-tired top buggy; open buggy, hard rubber tires; piano-box carriage; Concord buggy; Buckboard. All new.
J. F. TWISS, Three Rivers, Mass.

WANTED—Information in regard to my copies of "The Orcutt Girls" and "She Orcutt," lost several months ago. 50-tf
MRS. M. A. BURT, Monson, Mass.

EGGS from winning strain of heavy layers, Buff Plymouth Rocks, four prize birds, competing with birds from three states. Sittings $1 00 per 15. CHARLES H. KEITH, Palmer, Mass. 50-6

Palmer Savings Bank

Notice to Trustees.

The quarterly meeting of the Trustees of the Palmer Savings Bank will be held at their banking rooms on Monday, the twentieth day of March, 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m.

C. L. WAID, Treasurer.

Palmer, Mass., March 9, 1905.

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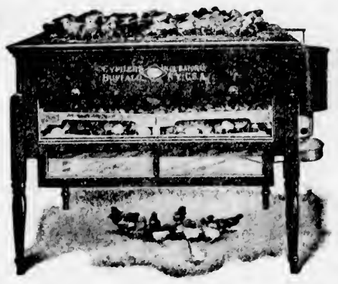

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TOWN OF PALMER.
ASSESSORS' NOTICE.

The Assessors of the Town of Palmer will be in session at the selectmen's room in the library building in the Depot village March 11, 1905, from 2 to 10 p. m. for the purpose of assessing any who may wish to vote in the coming town election.

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NOTICE TO VOTERS.
REGISTRATION.

Office of the BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.
Palmer, Mass., Feb 21, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Registrars of Voters will be in session at Holden's old store, Bondsville, Tuesday evening, March 7th, 1905, from 7 20 to 8.20 p. m.; Temperance Hall, Thorndike, Wednesday evening, March 8th, 1905, from 7.15 to 8.15 p. m.; Ruggles' Hall, Three Rivers, Thursday evening, March 9, 1905, from 7 30 to 8 30 p. m.; and at Selectmen's room, library building, Depot Village, on Saturday, March 11th, 1905, from 12 a. m. to 10 p. m., for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualification of persons claiming a right to vote at the election to be held on Monday, March 20th, 1905, and of correcting the list of voters.

See that your name is on the voting list of your town; if not there, call at the office of the Board of Registrars on the days above mentioned, and be registered, or you cannot vote. Bring with you a certificate from the assessors or a tax bill or notice from the collector of taxes, showing that you have been assessed a poll tax as a resident of the town of Palmer.

All persons whose names are stricken from the voters' lists for any lawful reason, will, before they can again have their names placed upon said lists, be required to register their names at the time hereinbefore stated in like manner as new voters.

Naturalized Citizens presenting themselves for registration must bring their naturalization papers with them.

If a qualified voter of this town whose name was on the voters' list last year, and who has been assessed for the current year, finds after the close of registration that his name is not placed on the voters' list of the current year, by reason of having been omitted by clerical error or mistake, he may, upon personal application, have his name placed upon the voting list, or, if application be made on the day of election, he may have a certificate to vote.

No name can be added to the voters' list, (except to correct omissions made by clerical error or mistake) after ten (10) o'clock of the evening of Saturday, March 11th, 1905, at which time registration closes.

By order of the Board of Registrars of Voters.

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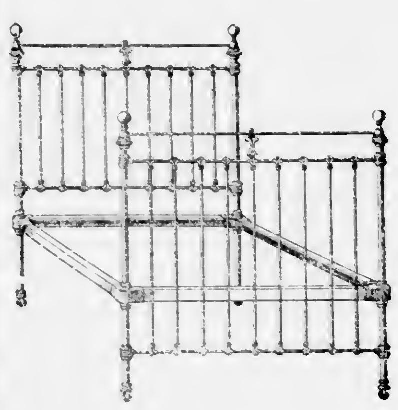

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Monson News.

MINISTER TO LEAVE TOWN.

Rev. Mr. Conner Accepts a Call to Barre, Vermont.

Rev. C. C. Conner has decided to accept his call to the pastorate of the First Universalist church of Barre, Vt., and has handed his resignation to the parish of his church here. He plans to leave Monson some time in April.

Mr. Conner is a native of Kentucky; he received a business education, taking a scholarship in Nelson's college at Cincinnati. He was attracted to the ministry, and after a course in a theological school, was ordained as a Universalist minister Sept. 5, 1880. He has had settlements at Burlington, Ky., Newtown, O., Springfield, Ill., and Milford, O., where he organized a church and helped the people to build; Hamilton, where a handsome edifice was being built, and he received into the church soon after he began his work, over 100 members; LaCrosse, Wis., the leading church of the denomination in the state, and in Monson, one of the young but strong parishes. In his nearly 25 years in the ministry he has added to the church upwards of 400 members. Mr. Conner has written much, apart from his sermons, and has published some things. A year ago he received overtures from his former parish at Hamilton, O., but decided to remain East.

Mr. Conner has two children, Ellen, now Mrs. E. C. Gould of Palmer, and Ruth, in the grammar school. Mrs. Conner is an earnest worker in the church, and has for several years been president of the ladies' social circle in the church here, and also superintendent of the primary department of the Sunday school; she is also active in the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Mr. Conner's people regret deeply his leaving Monson, yet are at the same time pleased that he has received such a promising call to a larger field.

Academy Notes.

Report cards were given out Monday noon.

Taylor, '07, has returned to school after a two-weeks' visit at his home in Leverett.

Ralph Purinton made a running jump of 18 feet, 3 inches, at the gymnasium Tuesday.

Manley Long, a special student, has left school, and entered Springfield high school.

John Smith, '03, now of Wesleyan University, visited at the school yesterday morning.

The basketball team will play the "Carpet City Five" of Thompsonville, Ct., at the gymnasium to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Next Friday evening the members of the Lino society will present a mock trial. Much time has been given to this by the members of the society, and everything points to a great success. The members of the Philo society have been invited to attend the trial. The judge of the court is Prof. Butterworth; clerk of court, Howard E. Page; deputy sheriffs, Arthur S. Graves, Harry L. Oldfield; lawyer for the commonwealth, William E. Hynes; lawyer for the defendant, Francis J. L. McQuaid; prisoner in dock, Charles A. Forbes. Charge against the prisoner is as follows: That on the evening of Feb. 22, Charles A. Forbes stole a pony belonging to Henry Flynt and concealed said pony in the cellar of the Monson Library, where he is janitor.

Annual Meeting of Library Association.

The annual meeting of the Monson Free Library and Reading Room Association was held at the library Monday evening, and the following officers were elected: President, Dr. George E. Fuller; vice president, Edward F. Morris; secretary, James F. Butterworth; treasurer, T. L. Cushman.

The librarian's report for the year ending February 28, 1905, is as follows: Total number of volumes in the library, 9014; accessions during the year, 411, from the following sources: By purchase, 368; by gift, 43; state of Massachusetts, 25; United States government, 81; Edward F. Morris, Monson, 3; Dr. George E. Fuller, Monson, 1; Welcome Converse, Monson, 1; Oscar D. Munn, New York city, 1; James H. Bridge, New York city, 1; James M. Barnard, Boston, 1; Library Bureau, 1; S. L. Phillips, Washington, D. C., 1. The library has been open to the public 307 days. Number of persons drawing books for home use, 790; total circulation for the year, 13,217, a gain of 1401 over last year; average daily about 43. In the reading room there are 52 magazines and newspapers on file, 41 of which are subscribed for by the association. Number of readers during the year, 11,970, an increase of 1588 over previous year; average daily about 39. The treasurer's report showed an excellent financial condition.

A pleasant whist party was held at the Quaboag Country clubhouse Monday night. There were 13 tables. The host was George S. Holden, assisted by Louis Brainerd and Freeman Smith. The first prizes were won by Miss Winnie Cooke and R. F. Bradway, and the second prizes by Mrs. E. E. Thompson and H. W. Holbrook.

Wants Voice in Their Selection.

Editor Palmer Journal:—

Dear Sir:—As the taxpayers are paying for our fire department it seems no more than right that they should have the say as to who should serve on the companies. Let us elect them by ballot the same as we do the other officers of the town and I think we should see a marked improvement.

Yours truly,
A TAXPAYER

Mr. Closson Will Run.

Samuel Closson announces himself as a candidate for selectman, and will run in the Republican caucus. The report has been circulated that he would not run at the caucuses, but would run on nomination papers. This report Mr. Closson denies and will run at the caucuses, which will be held in Memorial Hall Friday night, March 24th.

William Gath is ill with an attack of the grippe.

David Roese is out again after a few days' illness.

W. H. Gillett is ill at his home on North Main street.

F. E. Cady spent Sunday with relatives at Chicopee.

Albert Stewart spent Sunday with friends in Springfield.

Raymond McPherson is clerking for William Flynt.

William H. Naughton spent Sunday with friends in Athol.

Mrs. H. E. Bradley of Springfield spent Sunday in town.

Miss Hattie F. Cushman is visiting friends in Boston.

Miss Alice Cantwell of Amherst visited relatives here this week.

H. W. Lancey has been in Boston this week on a business trip.

Miss Eva Bigelow has returned from a month's visit at Maynard.

Miss Mabel Crocker is attending the millinery openings in Boston.

Miss Lillian Brown of Ware spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Miss Nellie Shroughrue spent Sunday with relatives at Granville.

Mrs. J. V. Squier of Windsor Locks, Ct., is visiting relatives in town.

Rev. and Mrs. N. M. Pratt are spending a few days in New York city.

Frank M. Shields of Stafford Springs, Ct., spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs David Broadfoot is spending a few weeks with relatives at Thomaston, Me.

Mrs. Wise of Attleboro is the guest of Miss Minnie Cook at the Century Hotel.

George H. Duncan has resigned as chairman of the Democratic town committee.

Mrs. P. S. Anderson has returned to Barre after spending a few days in town.

M. F. Moore and J. C. Parsons have been in New York this week on a business trip.

Mrs. Hattie Lockwood is ill with spinal meningitis at her home on Pleasant street.

The annual meeting of the Universalist parish will be held next Monday evening.

Carlos M. Gage was in Boston this week as a delegate to the grand lodge of Masons.

Miss Grace Rathbun of Springfield spent Sunday with relatives on Harrison avenue.

Miss Annie Sweet of State street is attending the millinery openings in Boston.

Bert Bliss has taken a position with the Central Vermont railroad at New London.

Day Spring lodge of Masons will hold its regular communication next Tuesday evening.

George Howard of Greenwich, Ct., a former resident, visited friends here Saturday.

Miss Mae McDonald of Granite street is attending the millinery openings in New York.

Mrs. James C. Haile has returned from a few days' visit with Mrs. H. M. Bacon of Ware.

Marcus Keep Relief Corps held a regular meeting in Grand Army hall Wednesday night.

Miss Mary Fitzgerald of Belmont avenue is attending the millinery openings in Boston.

George F. Lewis of Tufts college will preach at the Universalist church Sunday morning.

Luke C. Moran of Reynolds avenue has taken a position with Rivers & Young at Willimansett.

The King's Daughters will meet next Friday night with Mrs. E. E. Thompson on Lincoln street.

Mrs S. H. Newton is ill with diphtheria and the house has been quarantined by the board of health.

Ralph Rathbun of Springfield spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. L. Rathbun on Harrison avenue.

Mrs E. V. Tanner of Springfield is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Parsons on Harrison avenue.

The Monson steam laundry was shut down the first of the week on account of a break in the boiler.

Mrs. Bellews and daughter Frances of Boston spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs Wilson Tucker.

Robert Green has been called to Potter Hill, R. I., this week on account of the illness of his mother.

Albert Weeks of Boston has been the guest of his brother, C. Weeks, at the Monson House this week.

The temperance lecture given in Memorial Hall Sunday evening by Clinton Gowdy was well attended.

Miss Sarah Butler of Oakham has been spending a week with her brother, H. N. Butler on Harrison avenue.

Jesse Rogers has been unable to attend to his duties at W. N. Flynt & Sons' this week on account of illness.

John Pendergast is suffering from a burned finger which he received by taking hold of a piece of hot iron.

The Current Events club met this afternoon with Mrs. Ellis and will meet next Friday with Miss Cushman.

Mrs. Charles Ricketts and daughter Constance of Manchester, Ct., have been visiting relatives here this week.

Raymond Aldrich of Springfield spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Aldrich on North Main street.

A children's Lenten service was held in the chapel of the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon at 4 30 o'clock.

Charles Bigelow of Maynard has taken a position as overseer of the spinning room in S. F. Cushman & Sons' woolen mill.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Methodist church will be held in the church Sunday afternoon, March 19th. at 4 o'clock.

Mrs. A. E. Brewer of Hartford, Ct., who has been the guest of Mrs. W. H. Bugbee on Pleasant street has returned to her home.

Miss Helen Moulton of the Emerson School of Oratory, Boston, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Moulton at South Monson.

Several from here went to Springfield last night to see Maude Adams in the Court Square Theatre, the last car being run through to Monson.

S. F. Cushman & Sons have started their mill this week with a partial force of help, which will be increased as fast as the business will warrant.

Charles G. Thomas of Palmer has commenced work on the Puffer house recently purchased by E. J. Hughes, who will remodel it into a 20-room hotel.

Miss Louise Moore has been confined to the house the past week as the result of a sliding accident, her knee being injured while sliding last Friday night.

The directors of the Baseball Association met in Engine House No. 1 Tuesday night. Norman P. Dempsey was elected manager and Edward F. Cushman assistant manager.

The electric car leaving here at 11 25 this morning was delayed a few minutes on account of the forward trucks leaving the rails near the monument, but they were replaced in a short time.

The selectmen have had several men at work the past few days cleaning out the ditches and gutters. The snow that has been piled up on the sides of the road has been levelled with the road scraper.

William Foley of the Monson House is planning to enlarge his Main street hotel at once by building on 12 rooms on the Lincoln street side. Work will be commenced as soon as specifications are completed.

Miss Winnie Cooke gave a whist party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Cooke on North Main street Wednesday night in honor of her sister, Mrs. Wise. There were five tables. The prizes were won by Mrs. C. L. Peck and Mrs. C. W. Jackson.

The Century Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. F. A. Wheeler on Main street instead of with Mrs. Newton. The meeting next Tuesday will be with Mrs. H. F. Miller. The program will be in charge of Mrs. F. S. Chapman, Mrs. E. R. Cooke and Mrs. W. N. Flynt, 2nd.

A false alarm called out the members of the fire department last night about 8 o'clock, but as no regular alarm was given, the firemen did not get beyond the engine houses. The alarm was caused by work on some of the apparatus at the hall, which was being done by D. B. Needham.

Prof. Timothy Drake will give an illustrated lecture on the "Passion Play of Oberammergau" in Memorial Hall next Tuesday evening. The lecture will be given under the auspices of the local churches, and representatives from all of the churches will sell the tickets about town.

Rev. Sidney H. Cox, pastor of Bethany church, New York city, will preach at the Congregational church Sunday in exchange *with the pastor, Rev. N. M. Pratt.* In the morning he will speak on "The Inspirations of Evangelism," and in the evening he will give an address to the young people on "The Great Physician, Christ."

Mrs. Margaret Danihy, 66, widow of the late Timothy Danihy, died at her home on North Main street Tuesday morning after a long illness. She leaves one daughter, Miss Hannah Danihy, of this town. The funeral was held from St. Patrick's church yesterday morning at 10 o'clock and burial was in the Catholic cemetery on Pearl street.

Lenten services will be held in the Congregational church every Thursday night at 7.30 as follows: March 9, "The Sympathy of Jesus"; 16, "The Patience of Jesus"; 23, "The Life of Jesus"; 30, "The Courage of Jesus"; April 6, "The Faith of Jesus"; 13, "The Power of Jesus"; 18, "My Peace I give unto You"; 20, "This Do in Remembrance of Me."

The Academy prize speaking contest will be held in Memorial Hall this evening at 8 o'clock, and the public is cordially invited. On account of illness Miss Louise Moore will be unable to speak and Miss Ruth B. Flynt will speak in her place. The judges will be Principal M. M. Moriarty of Holyoke, Principal L. P. Slade of Chicopee and Supt. R. J. Fuller of Palmer.

The Republican town committee met in Memorial Hall last evening and decided to adopt the same method of preparing the caucus ballot as has been used satisfactorily for several years, namely: Names of candidates to appear on the ballot must be indorsed by not less then ten Republican voters and handed in to some member of the town committee, before 8 o'clock Thursday evening, March 23d.

The Men's Club of the Congregational church will hold a regular meeting in the church parlors Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The speaker will be Rev. Sidney H. Cox of New York city, who will give a stereopticon lecture on "Australia." The lecture will be finely illustrated by 150 pictures. Mr. Cox has lived 10 years in Australia, and his lecture will be of more than usual interest, as he is a very eloquent speaker. Refreshments will be served and a social hour will follow the lecture.

The vesper service held at the Congregational church Sunday evening was well attended and was one of the best musical events held in town for some time. The cantata "Pardon, Penitence and Peace," was very creditably rendered by Miss Estelle G. Hutchinson, soprano; Miss Ernestine Gauthier, contralto; R. A. Johnstone, tenor; John Roberts, baritone, Mr. Orcutt, who was expected to sing, being unable to do so on account of a severe cold. Miss Gauthier also gave a very pleasing solo. She has recently returned from Paris and has a wonderful voice.

BELCHERTOWN.

The fire department have voted to hold a ball on the 17th.

Dr. S. W. Perry has moved into the office formerly occupied by Dr. A. F. Warren.

Cards have been received in town from Mr. and Mrs. John F. Donnell, announcing the marriage of their daughter, Ella Frances, to George Fred Soesman on Wednesday, at North Attleboro. Several from Belchertown attended the affair.

Mrs. Oliver Adams of Holyoke, with her three small children, were guests over Sunday at the home of William Sanford. Sunday evening about 6.30 the youngest, an infant, was put to bed apparently well, but later in the night was attacked with convulsions, which caused its death. Mr. Adams was in Washington attending the inauguration exercises.

WARE.

Richardson—Moore.

The marriage of Miss Edith Lavira, daughter of Almer F. Richardson, and Richard Garfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Moore of Gibbs' crossing, took place Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen E. Newton, on the road to Greenwich, near Hardwick pond. Rev. A. B. Bassett performed the ceremony, in the presence of a few of the immediate members of the two families. After a trip to Boston Mr. and Mrs. Moore will live in Springfield. The bride and groom are graduates of Ware high school, class of 1899. The groom has acted as foreman for Contractor William Newton in Springfield since leaving school, and will for the present work for him again. The bride has acted as assistant in the office of her father, who is town clerk and treasurer.

Quarterly Conference of Methodist Church.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Methodist church was held Tuesday evening with Rev. W. G. Richardson, presiding elder, presiding. The following officers were elected: Trustees, H. P. Cummings, M. M. Campbell, Henry Fletcher, E. S. Dunbar, E. L. Ridder, H. H. Turner, C. M. Lindsey, C. H. Rood, J. H. Schoonmaker; stewards, D. L. Barlow, Alexander Brown, George F. Brown, H. P. Billings, M. M. Campbell, H. P. Cummings, Samuel Day, Henry Fletcher, E. M. Howard, Dennis Murphy, J. L. Mowe, J. T. Montgomery. The reports of the various departments of the church give an excellent showing for the year, and there has been a gain of 29 in the church membership. The finances are in a good condition. The presiding elder was requested by a unanimous vote to secure the return of Rev. John Wriston as pastor for another year.

Mrs. Delia S. Allen-Atwood was granted a divorce nisi in Northampton Tuesday from her husband, William G Atwood.

The Democratic town committee has organized with George D. Storrs, chairman, John T. Casey, secretary, and Dr. William Cregan, treasurer.

George R. McCarthy, stamp clerk in the post office, has been suspended by the post office department at Washington on the charge of insubordination.

Miss Charlotte Miner, 27, died at the almshouse on Thursday of last week from tuberculosis. She leaves a father and two sisters. Burial was Saturday.

Chief of Police Maurice Fitzgerald has completed his annual report of the police department for the year ending March 1. During the year there were 161 arrests against 152 last year. Out of this number there were 77 arrests for drunkenness.

John Glavin, 30, died of consumption at his home on West Main street Saturday morning. He had lived in Ware about a year, coming there from Monson. The funeral was held in All Saints' church Monday morning at 9. Mr. Glavin is survived by a widow.

Charles Bolton, 76, died of old age at his home on South street Saturday afternoon. He leaves a widow, three daughters and one son, all of Ware. Mr. Bolton was employed about the residence of J. H. G. Gilbert for a number of years, and before that worked for the Gilbert family. The funeral was held Monday afternoon in Trinity Episcopal chapel.

Francis X. Bosquet, 50, died Saturday morning of pneumonia, after only three days' illness. He had lived in Ware for 32 years, and for the past 18 had worked in the grocery store of L. B. Sibley & Co. He leaves a wife and seven children, Mrs. Albert Poulin, Herminia, Elder, Henry E., Leon, Amos and Arms Bousquet. The funeral was held Tuesday morning in Mt. Carmel church.

Mrs. Susan A., 46, wife of Charles H. Wetherby, died Monday morning after a long illness with Bright's disease. She was married twice, her first husband being the late Albert Sturtevant of Hardwick. She leaves besides her second husband, one son, George Sturtevant. The funeral was held at her late home on Clinton street Wednesday morning, Rev. O. J. Fairchild officiating, and burial was in Hardwick.

The body of Thomas J. Tamplin, 74, who died in Northampton Tuesday, was taken to Ware Wednesday. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the home of his son, Charles A. Tamplin, and burial was in Baldwinsville. Mr. Tamplin had lived with his son, Charles in Ware, for the past year, but was visiting his sister when taken ill with pneumonia and died. Mr. Tamplin was born in Ware. He engaged in business in Baldwinsville and lived there for a number of years. He is survived by a widow, one son, a brother, William Tamplin, and two sisters, Mrs. Julia Mellen of Athol and Mrs. Caroline A. Morin of Northampton.

OUR LEGISLATIVE LETTER.

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the committee dissent from this report,—Senator Craig of Essex and Representatives Wheatley of Abington, Sampson of Middleboro, Mason of Medway and Phelan of Lynn. This leaves only six in favor of the bill,—Senators Bullock of Bristol and Hunter of Middlesex, and Representatives O'Rourke of Worcester, Birch of Milford, who put in the petition on which the bill is based, Battis of Boston and Barker of Lynn. The hearing on this petition was one of the most crowded in the statehouse during this session, in the biggest room in the building. The Boston trade organization in the poultry business and other Boston representative men were out in force against the bill. With such a closely divided committee it is evident that there will be a hot fight against the bill. More than that, with such strong commercial interests united to beat the bill, and nothing but the welfare of the public on the other side, the chances are that the bill will never become law. Yet Representative Birch made out a very strong case of the repulsiveness and unhealthfulness of poultry brought to market without being drawn, and the disgusting specimen which he showed the committee,—one of a lot just like it which was in the market that morning, illustrates what sort of stuff is put before the people to eat. A pretty tough case was made out for the people who are obliged to live in boarding-houses where the biggest part of this nasty poultry is consumed. It is to be noticed by the way, that a matter like this, which touches men's pockets, draws a larger crowd than a far more important question involving the welfare of the state as a whole. Dollars can be seen and appreciated by every one. The public welfare cannot.

Now that the gypsy and brown tail moth bill has been reported with its many provisions for the suppression of the pests and the protection of the public and property-owners, the question is whether its friends will stand together sufficiently to secure the passage of the measure, or of anything else which will secure work this spring. There are so many different ideas, which the author believes, severally, are better than any others, that there is danger that the entire movement will fail from internal dissention, though there is no possible question of the vast damage which will be done the coming season unless prompt action is taken before the eggs hatch as soon as warm weather comes. The effort in drafting the bill has been to give authority to enter upon premises, even if the owner objects, so that the work can be done. But this requires that the pest be

A MATTER OF HEALTH

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made a public nuisance. But making it nuisance exposed the property-owners to great loss if they did not suppress it upon their premises, and so they had to be guarded. Then there has been the serious problem of how to divide the cost and responsibility between the private owner, the city or town and the state. But the best possible compromise has been drawn and now we must wait and see how it works.

The House had some fun out of Mr. Keefe of Fall River with his bill to prevent any spitting in public places or conveyances and let it be substituted for an adverse committee report. But they killed it by a large majority on the next stage. He made out a good case of the great danger to the public from consumption by indiscriminate scattering of tuberculosis germs, but the common sense of the House would not stand a total prohibition of spitting in public places, as he wanted.

There is expected to be presented to-morrow a bill from the railroad committee which will permit street railways to be bought up by steam road corporations, or to allow the latter to invest in the stock of the former. It will be seen, at a glance, that this will be a measure of large importance to the transportation interests of the state, for it will distinctly open the way to the practical consolidation of all the steam and electric roads under one ownership. Already there is ownership of electric roads by steam roads. There is an illustration in the southern part of Worcester county where the Worcester and Southbridge and connecting roads, through the Consolidated railroad company of Connecticut, which is an electric corporation, owned by the New York, New Haven and Hartford, is owned by the steam road interests. This policy of consolidation is not opposed by the railroad commissioners, and it is quite possible, therefore, that we are on the threshold of radical departures in our transportation system.

The House this afternoon gave small favor to several pending constitutional amendments for the appointment of registers of probate and clerks of court, instead of collecting them, for submission of laws and amendments to the people on petition of 50,000 voters, and for better equality of representation in the election of senators and representatives in the Legislature. The committee on constitutional amendments has reported reference to the next Legislature on the petition for biennial elections of state officers and members of the Legislature. The committee was unanimous, and one reason for their action was that there is no popular interest in the subject sufficient to warrant opening the subject at this time.

LANDON.

Fraternity Notes.

The Woman's Relief Corps meets next Friday.

The Grange will meet on Friday evening of next week.

Good Cheer lodge of Rebekahs will meet next Monday evening.

Revere chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, meets this evening.

Court Palmer, Foresters of America, will meet next Tuesday evening.

The Sons of Veterans will hold a meeting next Wednesday evening.

Palmer aerie of Eagles will hold a regular meeting next Thursday evening.

Martha Washington court, Dames of Malta, have given up their charter and disbanded.

Messrs. Norton, Frame, Taylor and Bodfish of Thomas lodge of Masons attended the quarterly meeting of the grand lodge in Boston Wednesday.

Maddening Silence.

In the rainless interior of Australia there is very little animal or bird life, and what birds there are are voiceless. This absence of singing birds renders the bush almost as silent as the grave. This deathlike silence has a peculiar depressing effect. If two men are camped in the bush and one of them goes to a distant township to get provisions while the other remains behind to look after the camp, the man who is to remain says to his mate, "Don't you be long away; you know what kind of a place this is to live in by yourself." If his mate is away for two or three days the silence gets upon the man's nerves, and in the end he shouts in order to make a noise, and then he is afraid of the sound of his own voice.

The First Printer.

In the language of the high school graduate, "history says" that Johann Gansfleisch of the Gutenberg family was the first to use movable type and on that account should be set down as the "father of printing," but the investigators (not the historians) tell us that the same system was practiced by Lawrence Costar, a Hollander, a long sixteen years previous to Gutenberg's so called discovery, in the year 1422. Nor is this all. We find proof in the sands of the Egyptian and Asian deserts in the shape of stamped brick (some from the identical tower of Babel) that the principles upon which the art ultimately developed existed hundreds of years before the birth of Christ.

A Good Reputation.

A good reputation is a good investment, but the only way of securing a permanent investment of good reputation is by putting a good character at interest. "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches," but it is often easier to get a character that shall be the basis of a good name. A man may inherit his father's riches, but a man cannot bequeath his character to his favorite son.

CARD—We wish to thank our neighbors and friends who by their kind words and deeds have helped us bear our recent affliction, and also for the many floral tributes.

MR. AND MRS. F. W. HOLLINGSWORTH.
Palmer, March 7, 1905.

CARD—We wish to extend our sincere thanks to all those who by word or deed assisted us in our recent bereavement.

MISS KATE GRIFFIN,
MISS JOE GRIFFIN,
MRS. JOHN POWERS,
MICHAEL GRIFFIN.

Bondsville, March 8, 1905.

TOWN OF PALMER.
TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—HAMPDEN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer, in said county. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places, in said Palmer, designated by the Selectmen, to wit: In Precinct A, at the Engine House on Park street in the Depot Village; in Precinct B, at Temperance Hall on Commercial street in Thorndike; in Precinct C, at Ruggles' Hall on East Main street in Three Rivers; and in Precinct D, at Holden's Old Store in Bondsville, on Monday, the 20th day of March, A. D. 1905, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the precinct officers of the several voting precincts of said town, for the following town officers, to wit: Three Selectmen, three Assessors, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, two Auditors, five Constables and three Fence Viewers, all for the term of one year; one Overseer of the Poor for three years, two members of the School Committee for three years, one member of the Board of Health for three years, and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; also to vote by ballot, which shall be Yes or No, in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls will be open at 6 o'clock in the forenoon and may be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House at Four Corners, in said Palmer, on Monday, the 27th day of March, A. D. 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose two or more Field Drivers, Measurers of Wood and Bark, and all other usual town officers.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to hire the present tramp room and lockup.

ART. 4. To act on the reports of the town officers.

ART. 5. To raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year, the same to be paid from said taxes.

ART. 7. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money not to be paid from the taxes of the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To hear and act on the reports of committees.

ART. 9. To choose committees and give them instructions.

ART. 10. To see if the town will allow a discount and determine what interest shall be paid on the taxes to be assessed for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To determine the manner and state the terms and conditions of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year, and fix the compensation of the collector of taxes.

ART. 12. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

ART. 13. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

ART. 14. To act on the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the Young Men's Library Association.

ART. 16. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools, and instruct the School Committee as to the manner of letting the contract for such conveyance.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise money for the celebration of Memorial Day.

ART. 18. To see what action the town will take in relation to sewers.

ART. 19. To see what action the town will take in regard to lighting the streets, and whether it will authorize the Selectmen to make contract therefor.

ART. 20. To see what action the town will take in reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees.

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the care and improvement of cemeteries.

ART. 22. To see what action the town will take in regard to sidewalks.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to maintain night police in the several villages, and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 24. To see what action the town will take relative to suits and claims now pending against the town.

ART. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for necessary aid to soldiers and sailors and their families, and the families of the slain, and entrust the same to L. L. Merrick Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, under the provisions of law.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in Park street in the Depot Village from its intersection with Walnut street to its intersection with Thorndike street and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to extend the sewer in South Main street in the Depot Village to a point opposite the car barn and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 28. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the erection of a hood, or other protection against water from the roof, over the door entering the Memorial Hall from Pleasant street, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to locate an arc electric light on the common at Palmer Center.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to construct a sidewalk from the car station near the Catholic cemetery to the common at Palmer Center and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 31. To see what action, if any, the town will take in reference to claims for labor, teams, and material in connection with the construction of the masonry for the Burleigh bridge as follows: Philip LaPlant, $13 50; Michael McKelligott, $41.25; John J. Daley, $4.00; John Connor, $16 62; Peter Wemette, $16.75; Edward Wemette, $17.25; W. E. Kenyon, $4 81; M. F. Bowler, $25.00; Michael St. John, $16.78; Michael Laford, $25 40; C. D. Holbrook Company, $23.80; J. F. Holbrook & Son, $16 51; a total of $221.67.

ART. 32. To see what action the town will take, if any, relative to the claim of Hamilton & King for labor and materials employed and furnished and for expenses paid and incurred in connection with the construction of the *masonry for the Burleigh bridge.*

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to enlarge the High School building and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 34. To see what action the town will take regarding the maintenance of evening schools.

ART. 35. To see if the town will vote to elect its Selectmen and Assessors in the manner authorized and provided in Section 339 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws.

ART. 36. To see if the town will appoint a committee to investigate the sources of a water supply for the town, to collect facts and data and make surveys of routes for conduits and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 37. To see if the town will vote to pay the bills incurred by the committee appointed to investigate the needs of the town for high school accommodations and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 38. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 336 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws relative to the election of a highway surveyor.

ART. 39. To see if the town will vote to buy a portable stone crushing plant and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 40. To see if the town will vote to have the records of lay-out of highways and town ways, location of pole lines, and similar orders, indexed, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 41. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Revised Laws, Chapter 11, Section 335, relative to the election of the Town Clerk for the term of three years.

ART. 42. To see if the town will vote to locate an electric light at the corner of East and Pleasant streets in Bondsville.

ART. 43. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer extension in East street, Bondsville, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 44. To see if the town will accept and allow a town way as laid out by the Selectmen as follows: Beginning at a stone bound on the Westerly side and at the Southerly terminus of Grove street as laid out by the Selectmen in March, 1882, and running thence S. 18° 10' E. 190 feet to a stone bound on land formerly of E. G. Wood. The line described is the Westerly boundary line of the proposed street, the Easterly boundary line begins at a point bearing N. 59° E. and forty-nine and one half (49½) feet distant from the stone bound first mentioned and from this point the street gradually narrows to 30 feet in width at its Southerly terminus.

ART. 45. To see if the town will vote to permit the Roman Catholic Society of St. Anne's Church to make burials in its cemetery on the highway leading from Three Rivers to Thorndike nearer than 10 rods from said highway, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the different public places designated by the vote of the town, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting, and cause this warrant to be printed in the Palmer Journal at least two issues before holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the town clerk, on or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 9th day of March, A. D. 1905.

JOHN F. TWISS,
CHAS. T. BRAINERD,
WILLIAM LAWTON,
Selectmen of Palmer

If every one knew what one said of the other there would not be four friends left in the world.—Pascal.

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No. 720 A	4.50
No. 722 W	5.00
No. 722 A	5.00
No. 724 W	5.00
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No. 726 A	6.50
No 728 W	6.50
No. 728 A	6.50
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No. 734 A	8.00

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No. 610 White	4.00
No. 612 White	5.00
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No. 620 Cream	5.00
No. 622 White	5.00
No. 622 Cream	5.00
No. 624 White	6.50
No. 626 White	6.50
No. 628 White	6.50
No. 630 White	7.50
No. 632 White	7.50
No. 634 White	7.50
No. 636 White	7.50
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No. 640 Cream	12.50
No. 642 Cream	12.50

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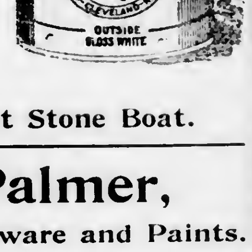

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Mrs. A. Peterson, living in the northeast part of the town says "Mr. LeGro recommended Doan's Kidney Pills to me some time ago and I used them, obtaining remarkably good results. Before I took them for over two years I had attacks of dull heavy aching in the small of my back just across my kidneys. If I sat in one position for any length of time I became so stiff and lame that I could hardly get up, and if I stooped it caused sharp twinges in my back so bad that they made me cry out. I tried other remedies but they did me no good. Doan's Kidney Pills helped me from the first and finally removed the backache. I have had no return of the trouble. Should I ever have a reoccurrence I now know what to do. I recommended them to a lady friend of mine, Mrs. L. Lafarr, out in the carpet mill district. She used them and told me afterwards that they cured her of a severe backache."

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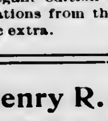

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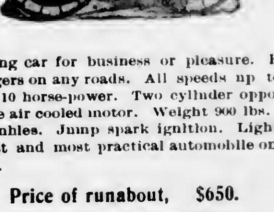

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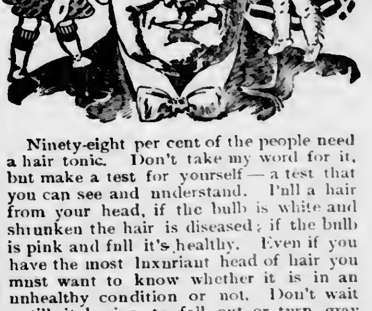

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Clara—"Did the newspaper notice your father at the great banquet?" Charlie—"Yes." "Well, mamma said she could not see his name in the list." "No, but the list ended up with 'and others.' That means papa. They always mention him that way."—Life.

Here is Relief for Women.

Mother Gray, a nurse in New York, discovered an aromatic pleasant herb drink for women's ills, called AUSTRALIAN-LEAF. It is the only certain monthly regulator. Cures female weaknesses and Backache, Kidney, Bladder and Urinary troubles. At all druggists or by mail 50 cts. Sample FREE. Address, The Mother Gray Co., LeRoy, N. Y.

"Is there anything you don't need that I might take?" asked the slovenly old junkman, watching Subbubs packing his goods on the moving van. "Yes," snapped Subbubs, "a bath."—Pickins.

Stout Old Lady to druggist's youthful assistant, "Boy, d'ye keep a preparation for reducing flesh?" Boy—"Yes'm." Stout Old Lady—"Well, I don't know how much I ought to get." Boy—"Better take all we've got."—London Times.

Mrs. Buttim—"I have found out one thing about that Mrs. Newcomer. Whoever she is, she certainly has never moved in good society." Mr. Nearman—"How do you know that?" Mrs. Buttim—"She shakes hands as if she meant it."—Puck.

"Have you ever known any one," she asked, "who was actually killed by happiness?" "Well," replied the crusty old bachelor. "I can't say positively as to that, but I did know a chap once who was found dead on his mother-in-law's grave."—Life.

Freddie—"I can count up to five on me fingers, can't I, ma?" Ma—"Yes, Freddie, but don't brag. I saw a little boy no older than you to-day who could count up to 50." Freddie—"Gee whiz! Where did he get all them fingers."—Tit-Bits.

"My wife's the most helpless creature," growled Cadiy; "simply can't do anything without bothering me to help her." "Yes?" "Yes. Only last night I had to reach up and get a candle off the shelf of the pantry for her so she could go down cellar and bring up a scuttle of coal."—Philadelphia Press.

"May I have access to the poetry department?" he asked, approaching the young woman at the distributing counter in the public library. She went on chewing gum and without looking up from her historical novel reached under the counter for a feather duster, which she handed to him. "Excuse me," he said, "but I guess you didn't understand. I would like to have access to the poetry department." "Well," she replied, "you'll need this. Last aisle to the left."—Chicago Record-Herald.

REWARDED

By CHANNING POLLOCK

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Sallie Marshall went to Red Bank for her vacation almost entirely because Frank Ewing was there. To her friends in the offices of the American Opera Chair company she said that she felt the quiet of the place to be what she most needed. In point of fact, however, what she most needed was the love of the young bookkeeper who had dropped his pen a week before with the avowed intention of rusticating at Red Bank.

The ordinary, sensible woman of thirty-two, which was the exact age of Miss Marshall, probably would not have sympathized with her much concerning this requirement. Ewing was just twenty-eight, and his "gray matter" was not gray because of maturity or overexertion. He was exceedingly good looking, exceedingly tall and broad and debonair, and these virtues had appealed at once to little Miss Marshall, whose eyes were accustomed to grayness of mind and of other things.

Ewing liked Miss Marshall, too, in a patronizing sort of fashion, his regard having been deepened considerably by the discovery that she was mistress of "double entry" and not at all averse to double labor. His affection never melted into words, and it was sufficiently adjustable to permit of being put quite out of the way when its possessor met so fluffy and alluring a person as Nellie Carruth.

"Frank Ewing's gone with your girl again," Miss Marshall heard an idler remark banteringly to another as she climbed the steps of the Globe hotel. She stopped to fumble a handkerchief out of her bag.

"Who? Nellie Carruth?" inquired the youth addressed. "Looks as if I was cut out, doesn't it?"

That he was not the only individual "cut out" Miss Mashall learned immediately upon the return of the pair. Fluttering about the piazza, she discerned them at the end of the street, the bookkeeper hanging on the words of his companion as no amount of mere appreciation of wisdom ever made man hang on the words of woman. Ewing was greatly embarrassed, too, when he saw Miss Marshall, although she tried to seem uninterested alike in his presence and in his attention to the blue frocked girl to whom he presented her.

Ewing was acting quite within his rights, she told herself later, obeying the impulse that bade her justify him even to herself. He had made no pact with her, at least no verbal pact, and she knew that few men recognized the validity of unspoken contracts. Why should a fine, strong fellow whose life was before him be tied to a neutral tinted woman who already realized that her future was to be only her past stripped of its illusions? If Frank Ewing wanted to marry Nellie Carruth it wasn't any of her business.

Nevertheless while presenting an imperturbable front to that part of the world located at Red Bank she suffered keenly the next few days. Miss Carruth and her widowed mother occupied a cottage near the river, and between walking, riding and boating she and her new admirer were together almost constantly. Ewing glanced at Miss Marshall once or twice, assured himself that she didn't care and was glad that he had not committed himself. Ewing was not a bad sort of a man; he was just a man.

This was the state of affairs when a fire at the Carruth cottage upset Red Bank and permitted to the bookkeeper a display of courage which seemed to write "finis" to his romance. The blaze broke out at dead of night and gained such headway in the front part of the dwelling that there appeared scant probability that the two inmates could be rescued. Red Bank's volunteer fire brigade propped its ladders against the veranda before the bedroom windows, but very wisely refused to mount them through the blast furnace of the blazing porch. Ewing went up one of them like a toy monkey on a stick and carried both women to places of safety.

Miss Marshall, who thought it risky to be among the spectators at a fire, did not witness this deed, but she heard of it, and her heart swelled with pride. She had known all along that Ewing was capable of just such heroism. Forgetting her previous reserve, she hastened to congratulate him, bringing up speechless and tearful before the couch on which he lay nursing a bandaged burn on his cheek.

This burn, the result of contact with a falling brand, kept the bookkeeper wrapped in darkness and oil silk for a fortnight. His right eye had been endangered and had to be treated carefully. Miss Marshall forfeited a considerable amount of salary and remained at Red Bank. She really was needed after Miss Carruth, to whom the fire soon became only an impersonal occurrence which made good material for story telling, found a rowboat shared with her earlier admirer rather preferable to a stuffy room shared with her later suitor and the odor of iodoform.

The injured man missed her greatly and inquired of Miss Marshall concerning her. Miss Marshall, with bravery in the feminine gender of that which he exhibited at the fire, replied that she supposed Miss Carruth much occupied with getting furniture for her new cottage.

"Her new cottage?" exclaimed Ewing. "I may be interested in that myself some day."

Miss Marshall tried to change the subject.

"She's a brick!" the convalescent went on. "Pretty as a picture too. Don't you think she's pretty, Miss Marshall?"

Miss Marshall did.

She concluded that Miss Carruth was something better than pretty when she witnessed her first meeting with Ewing after the bandages had been taken from his face. The brand had pencilled an indelible mark of seared scarlet from his forehead to his throat. Miss Carruth gave vent to an abbreviated scream when she saw it and then, mastering herself, grasped the victim's hand firmly. "I didn't realize," she said, "how much you had done for me."

Manifestly Miss Marshall had been unjust in considering her a mere doll.

One evening soon after, however, when she was sitting at her window, looking into the mist of her life, she was given reason to resurrect her first opinion. Ewing and Miss Carruth were seated below, and Ewing was proposing marriage. The woman upstairs knew that she ought not to listen, but her breath was quivering in her throat, and she could not move away to save her soul.

"Don't!" Miss Carruth was urging when her voice first became audible. "Don't, Frank! Please don't!"

"But why?" he persisted. "I love you. Until this moment I was sure that you loved me."

"I did!" cried the girl. "Oh, I did until— You mustn't ever ask me to marry you!"

"Why?" repeated Ewing. The repetition was determined. "I think I have earned the right to a reason."

"That is the reason!"

"What?" The word was spoken sharply, like a military command. Miss Carruth quailed.

"What—what happened when you earned the right? Oh, I know I'm horrid! I know I'll be ashamed all the rest of my life. But—your cheek! I couldn't bear to look at that scar."

"Oh!" said Ewing.

"If it hadn't been for me you wouldn't have been burned," Miss Carruth went on, sobbing almost hysterically. "I realize that. I'm sorry; indeed I'm sorry! Won't you say you forgive me?"

"Yes," said Ewing. "It's not your fault. I've just been a fool. I see it now. I'm going away tomorrow."

"And you won't think too harshly of me?"

Ewing rose, and Miss Marshall heard him push back his chair. "I'll try not to think of you at all," he answered. "I'll try to remember a little woman who has never forgotten me. Her love was too fine for me to comprehend at first, but somehow I seem to understand it now."

Then two sounds broke the stillness of the night. Frank Ewing had gone into the hotel, slamming the door after him, and Sallie Marshall, fainting for the first time in her life, had fallen to the floor.

Competent, but Unprejudiced.

In the course of the year Parson Whitaker received many calls to marry, christen and bury in the villages round Canby, so it often happened that his services were required in families of which he knew little more than the name of the person on whose behalf he was to officiate.

One day he was summoned to a lonely farm to perform the burial service. On arriving there after some vicissitudes he was met by a forlorn looking man who was evidently in charge of affairs.

"Are there relatives left whom I should mention," the minister asked, "and is there any special point of which I should speak?"

"No, there weren't any real points about Abner Saunders," said the man slowly. "I guess I'm an unprejudiced judge, and I should say there weren't. As for relatives, there's no one left but an aged brother. I guess you'd better mention him. 'Twould kind of please him. You might say that he's always done his best and that 'twas a great privilege for the deceased to have him near by at the last."

"Certainly I will do so," said Parson Whitaker cordially. "I suppose from what you say the aged brother has had more or less trouble in the past."

"He's had his trials," said the man briefly.

When the service was over the minister stepped toward his informant.

"I didn't see the aged brother," he said in a low tone. "Is he in the house? He might like to have me speak to him before I go."

"I'm the aged brother," said the forlorn man, holding out a limp hand.

An Alarming Symptom.

"Patients often have such absurd ideas about things!" sighed the doctor in charge of the tuberculosis division of the hospital, says the New York Tribune. "Now, there's the subject of hemorrhages. I had a patient brought in here who was said to be a bad case. He had been on an egg and milk diet, yet was no better. I asked him if he had ever had a hemorrhage, and he said that he had had one very bad one.

"'Tell me about it,' said I. 'How were you taken?'

"'Well,' said he, 'I got hit on the head with a stick. It bled awful, and the doctor said it was a bad hemorrhage. He had to take eight stitches to stop it.'

"An Irishman occupied a bed in the tuberculosis ward, and one morning as I passed his bed I asked:

"'Well, Pat, do you raise anything?'

"He didn't understand me.

"'Do you raise anything when you cough?' I said again, but as he couldn't get what I meant through his head I went off. In a few moments he called me back.

"'Oh, doctor,' he said, 'I've been noticing, and I do. Every time I cough I raise me right leg.'"

"No" Is Unique.

"It seems odd that the English alphabet, out of which can be constructed several thousands of words, contains just one word formed by the letters in their present order," remarked the observant young man. "That word is 'No.' You can look the alphabet over, and you won't find any other combination of vowel and consonant characters that will form a word. The nearest approach is 'Ab,' which by straining a point might be considered an abbreviation of 'Abraham,' or 'Hi,' which might answer as short for 'Hiram.' But 'No,' one of the shortest words in the language, is the only bona fide word formed in the arrangement of the alphabet's twenty-six characters."—Philadelphia Record.

The Miss of a "Mr."

An amusing illustration of the value of courtesy in the factory is given by the London Engineering Magazine. "At one time," says the writer, "we had some large forging drawings returned to the works, and the order clerk, into whose hands they came, told his errand boy to 'take them to Burnham,' one of the foremen. The boy looked in astonishment, but upon a peremptory order he went off with the drawings. We missed them a day or two later, and upon inquiring of the boy he said, 'You told me to take them to burn 'em, and I did it.' In fact, he had taken those drawings to the boiler room and had them burned, all because the order clerk forgot to use the 'Mr.' when giving his instructions."

A Perfect Altruist.

Charles Kingsley was once talking of his wife to the mother of Canon Tetley of Bristol cathedral.

"She is the sweetest, kindest hearted woman in the world," he said enthusiastically. "Why, Mrs. Tetley, if my wife were going to be executed her first anxiety would be that any one who wished to see it might get a good place."

Home and Club.

Mrs. Von Blumer—Why don't you take your business friend to your club instead of bringing him home? Von Blumer—Because I want to talk business to him. I don't want to take him to a place where he is going to enjoy himself.

Just Complaint.

Borroughs—I don't see why he wouldn't lend me the $5 I wanted. Newitt—No. He certainly couldn't ask for a more permanent investment.—Exchange.

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WALES.

The public schools closed Friday for a two-weeks' vacation.

A. F. Fisher, the local tinsmith, who has been ill with pneumonia, is recovering.

George Flynt of Southbridge is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. A. Pepper.

J. H. Loudon is having a new floor put in the spinning room of his mill and will have a new spinning jack set up.

The horse trot on Lake Florence last Saturday between horses owned by C. I. Whitcomb of Palmer and William McKinnon was well attended. The three heats were won by Mr. McKinnon's horse.

HOLLAND.

Mrs. B. C. Bennett, who has been ill with grip, is improving.

A. Childs of Woodstock, Ct., has been visiting friends in town.

Edward Lawrence of Leicester is visiting his son, Charles Lawrence.

Wallace Moore spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Moore of Holden.

Mrs. Adelia Taylor and daughter Marian of Granby have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Webber.

Louise Willis, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Willis, has returned from the Adams Nervine Asylum, Jamaica Plain, where she has been employed as a nurse the past year.

Mrs. Mary Lewis of Columbia, Ct., returned home last week after spending five weeks at the home of her father, H. C. Brown, who has been quite ill.

At a meeting of the Congregational church last week Thursday the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Clerk and treasurer, Mrs. Ella J. Webber; deacon, F. B. Blodgett; committee, F. B. Blodgett, O. W. Williams, Mrs. Abbie Howlett; superintendent of Sunday school, Freeman Blodgett.

Rev. F. E. Emrich of the Mass. Home Missionary Society of Boston, conducted services in the Congregational church Wednesday evening, which were well attended. At the close of the services a business meeting was held at which Rev. Mr. Emrich presided, making suggestions and giving advice regarding a pastor and religious services for the ensuing year. It was decided to have Rev. Samuel Eaton of Brimfield serve as pastor for the year commencing April 1.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—
HAMPDEN, SS.
PROBATE COURT.

To the next of kin, and all others interested in the estate of Gilbert Osborne, late of Monson, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, Henry S Osborne, the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance the second and final account of his administration on said estate and has made application for a distribution of the balance in his hands among the next of kin of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, on the fifth day of April, A. D. 1905, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why said account should not be allowed and distribution made according to said application.

And the petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper published in Palmer, in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, CHARLES L. LONG, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and five. 50-3

SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of the power of sale and of attorney contained in a mortgage deed given by Joseph Gregory of Brimfield, Hampden County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to John D. Barney of Holland, in said County and Commonwealth, dated June 15, 1899, and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 598, Page 530, for a breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold near the dwelling house upon the premises described below, on Saturday, April 1, 1905, at 10 o'clock a. m., all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage and therein described as follows, viz: A certain tract of land, with the buildings thereon, situate in said Brimfield and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a large rock about six rods south of the barn on the premises, thence northerly on the highway leading to Brimfield to land now occupied by George Adams; thence easterly on said Adams to land of Warren Agard; thence southerly on said Agard to north end of wire fence; thence westerly on land of C. F. Crawford to the place of beginning, containing about 25 acres, more or less, together with wagon shed on westerly side of road and being the same premises described in deed recorded in said Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 438, Page 504.

Terms $50 cash at time and place of sale; balance upon delivery of deed within ten days.

JOHN D. BARNEY, Mortgagee.
By THOMAS W. KENEFICK, Atty.
Palmer, March 9, 1905. 50-3

MY NUGGET

[Original.]

I had prospected in the Colorado gold regions and sunk many a hole. My ideas of fortune had begun with visions of owning one of the big mines of the state, had been reduced to making a few hundred thousand dollars and had finally settled into discouragement and a decision to go home as poor as I had come. This I did not relish, for I had a girl there whom I had left several years before with a lordly scorn at her suggestion that I should settle down to hard work at home, with her to keep house for me and do the hewing of wood and drawing of water. I would go west, make a fortune, and she would have a corps of servants to do the hewing and the drawing.

I gathered up my camp kit, put my pick on my shoulder and started off in an aimless fashion. I was not settled in my mind what to do. At home there was poverty with Sara; where I was, there was poverty alone. It was pride that made me irresolute about returning. Passing a cleft in some mixed rock and earth, a prospecting instinct was still strong enough in me to induce me to put the point of my pick into it. Almost immediately I took out a nugget which from its looks I judged might be worth $5,000 or $6,000. All my wild dreams recurred to me, and I dug on, expecting to make a strike; but, though I spent several days at the work, I found no more gold in paying quantities. Then I resolved to go home. I came to this resolution in the evening and after scratching my initials on my nugget went to sleep. The next morning it was gone. Some one passing must have seen me sleeping and robbed me.

I had thrown aside a few lumps from my hole for more careful inspection and now examined them, finding three of aggregate value sufficient to pay my expenses to the east. I was still determined to go home.

In the stagecoach that was to take me to the railroad among the passengers were two who were noticeable, a swaggering miner with a pistol strapped to each hip and a diminutive traveling parson. The miner admitted that he carried $10,000 worth of dust in his belt and would like to see the man who would get it away from him. The parson was beside himself with dread lest road agents should attack us, starting at every sound from without. The miner was telling how he had once beaten off half a dozen robbers single handed, when a shot was heard, the driver came tumbling from the box and the coach came to a sudden stop. A single masked highwayman stepped up to the coach door and opened it with his left hand, while in his right he held a short cocked rifle, and ordered us to alight one by one. This precaution he doubtless took because he was alone.

The miner, being nearest, was ordered out first. He stepped out nimbly enough. The robber took off his revolvers and slung them by the belt over his own shoulder, then ordered him to disgorge. The miner handed him a lump which at a glance I recognized as my nugget. I got out next, then the others, except the parson, who shrank into a corner whimpering:

"Spare me, my good man! Oh, spare me! I'm a man of God, with but a few dollars!"

"Come out o' that," roared the robber, "or I'll make a hole in you!"

This threat seemed to throw the little parson into a spasm of fear. He still shrank back, piteously begging the robber to spare his life. The robber put his head and shoulders into the stage, seized him by the collar and was dragging him roughly out, the rifle meanwhile being lowered, when we heard a shot, and the robber rolled back on to the coach steps face upward. There was a small round hole in his forehead from which the blood oozed.

The quickest change I ever saw in my life was in the parson. He was bending forward with a smoking Derringer in his hand which he had held in his sleeve and with which he had, quick as a flash, shot the robber. Seeing the latter quite dead, he sprang forward, kicked the body down on to the ground, and ordered me to go to the horses' heads and unloosen the reins, which were tied around a forward wheel; then, as the miner stooped to take his pistols from the dead robber, the parson dragged him back by the collar and in a twinkling clapped a pair of bracelets on his wrists.

"Jim Maxey," he said to his prisoner, "I came up from Denver for you. You're wanted for the Simpson robbery."

The effect of this sudden change was reviving to all save Maxey, who was sullen enough. I told the detective that the nugget the thief had passed to the road agent was mine, and he said that I could have it if I could prove property. This was easy, for I had only to mention the mark I had put upon it. He examined it and gave me my property at once, being convinced that I owned it and not caring to put me to the delay and risk of getting it after his prisoner was turned in.

In another week I was at home, and when I told Sara that I had sufficient capital with which to begin the world the practical girl declared that it was more than she ever expected I would bring back. My nugget agreeably disappointed me by bringing $7,800. I spent a few hundred of it in developing the hole from which it was taken, but without unearthing gold in paying quantities. I have since been happy with Sara as an ordinary business man.

JAMES CARTER SCOTT.

All In the Family.

Mrs. Cloak—I'm so sorry the dressmaker I recommended to your wife did not give her a fit. Mr. Soak—Never mind. Her bill gave me one.

Something Coming to Him.

Maisie—Funny, isn't it, that Algernon doesn't smoke? Daisie—Well, he will soon. I overheard papa say that he was going to fire him.

The way to be nothing is to do nothing.—German Proverb.

A Chicago Alderman Owes His Election to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"I can heartily and conscientiously recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for affectations of the throat and lungs," says Hon. John Shenick, 220 So. Peoria St., Chicago, "Two years ago, during a political campaign, I caught cold after being overheated, which irritated my throat and I was finally compelled to stop, as I could not speak aloud. In my extremity a friend advised me to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I took two doses that afternoon and could not believe my senses when I found the next morning the inflammation had largely subsided. I took several doses that day, kept right on talking through the campaign, and I thank this medicine that I won my seat in the Council." This remedy is for sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

My Statuesque Russian Wife

[Original.]

When I visited Russia I took letters to the Tanuanjors family of Finland. I had heard that people of that enslaved country were very bitter against the Russian government. What was my surprise to hear the members of this family declare that they were perfectly satisfied with their oppressors and bitterly opposed to those who were always fomenting trouble, thus inciting the police to curtail the privileges of the people.

Bertha Tanuanjors was one of those light complexioned, blue eyed, flaxen haired beauties who come only out of the north. I had always fancied tropical women, with their black hair and eyes and their intense natures. Nevertheless I lost my heart to a girl whose disposition seemed as mild as her pink and white cheek and her soft blue eye. I could not but regret that so beautiful a creature should be entirely devoid of spirit. But I was a Pygmalion enamored of a Galatea. There was life under the marble surface, and in time the real human being stepped forth.

Bertha yielded a sort of tacit assent to my suit. Of course I was disappointed in this, though it was in accordance with her character. I would have preferred that she should have thrown me off, so that I might come again till I had conquered her. But girls abroad are expected to accept any suitor their parents approve, and Bertha's parents not only approved of me, but seemed impatient for our marriage and departure for the United States. Bertha herself betrayed no preference in the matter. Had I not been infatuated with her impassive beauty and spirituelle characteristics I would not have assented to a marriage under such conditions.

The wedding took place in a great church at Viborg, where the family lived, and the usual wedding feast followed. Our arrangements had been made to go the same night down to Cronstadt and thence by sea to Stockholm. I would have preferred remaining in Viborg for several days after the ceremony, but Bertha laid this plan for our immediate departure, and in adhering to it I noticed in her the first signs of a will. The wedding supper over, we went upstairs to gather our hand baggage. Bertha went to a closet to take out the hat and coat she intended wearing. Suddenly she exclaimed:

"How unfortunate! I have forgotten to send the jar of marmalade I intended for a parting gift to Kitty Olbord. I expected to give it to her tonight, but she is ill and was unable to come. Never mind; we can call on our way and leave it at her house."

She put the jar in her satchel, and we went downstairs, bade goodby to family and friends, entered the carriage and drove first to Kitty Olbord's home. On reaching it I alighted, took the jar and, going to the door, rang the bell. Instead of a servant a man with very red hair and a very pale face, belonging apparently to the middle class, opened the door, took the jar and without waiting for my explanations shut the door in my face. Then we drove on to the station. Early the next morning we left Cronstadt.

We reached Stockholm the following morning and proceeded to a hotel for breakfast. I purchased a morning journal by the way and, having ordered a breakfast, opened the paper to glance at the news. The first thing I saw under large headlines was an account of an attempt the day before to assassinate the governor of Finland. A man with a red head and a pale face had secured admittance to his excellency and was about to hurl at him a glass jar marked "Marmalade" when his arm was caught by an attendant. The jar was found to contain nitroglycerin.

"What is it, dear?" asked my wife in her usual mild tone as I showed signs of collapse. At the same time she laid her hand on mine and added, "Courage!" She had seen the headlines and had read the news quicker than I. "We have failed," she added, "but I have done my part, and you will not be thus jeopardized again."

I looked into her mild blue eyes, and save a trace of disappointment there was no sign of emotion.

"Remain here," I said, all of a tremor, "while I go and learn by what conveyance we can get on."

"Goodby," she said. And from the look she gave me for the first time I knew that it would be hard for her to lose me.

"I will be back directly," I answered her. And she looked intensely relieved.

I learned that a ship would leave in an hour by the Baltic and North seas for Rotterdam, and, returning to my wife without waiting for breakfast, I led her out to a carriage, and we were soon aboard the vessel. This put us on the sea again, where the police could not reach us. At Rotterdam we found a ship just leaving for America and had barely time to get aboard. Then I collapsed, for I knew we were safe.

I have no desire for the more intense brunette of the south. My wife, who had seen her people crushed by a tyrannical government, had it in her to risk all on what she believed to be a legitimate attempt to assist in freeing them. It was no freak of passion such as would lead a southern woman to stab a lover, but a conception of duty far above all individual consideration. Since her sojourn with me in America my wife has remained tranquil, but since the recent revolt in Russia she has shown signs of internal fire, and I am in terror lest she leave me to become a part of the volcano of revolution.

F. A. MITCHEL.

People Who Live In Nests.

Travelers who have returned from the heart of Africa and the Australasian continent tell wonderful stories of nest building people who inhabit the wilds of those countries. In the bush men of Australia we find perhaps the lowest order of men that are known. They are so primitive that they do not know enough to build even the simplest form of hut for shelter. The nearest they can approach to it is to gather a lot of twigs and grass and, taking them into a thicket or jungle, build a nest for a home. The nest is usually built large enough for the family, and if the latter be very numerous then the nests are of a very large size. Sometimes the foliage above will form a natural covering, but there is never any attempt at constructing a protection from the rain and storms.

Friends.

Nell—Mr. Kammerer is so kind. He said I took a very pretty and very artistic picture. Bell—Indeed? And whose picture did you take, dear?—Philadelphia Ledger.

Where It Hit.

Mrs. Hobbs—Isn't that Henry practicing on his cornet? Mr. Hobbs—Partly on his cornet, but principally upon my nerve centers.—Boston Transcript.

Woman's Kidney Troubles

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is Especially Successful in Curing This Fatal Disease.

Of all the diseases known, with which women are afflicted, kidney disease is the most fatal. In fact, unless early and correct treatment is applied, the weary patient seldom survives.

Being fully aware of this, Mrs. Pinkham, early in her career, gave exhaustive study to the subject, and in producing her great remedy for woman's ills—Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—was careful to see that it contained the correct combination of herbs which was sure to control that fatal disease, woman's kidney troubles. The Vegetable Compound acts in harmony with the laws that govern the entire female system, and while there are many so called remedies for kidney troubles, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the only one especially prepared for women, and thousands have been cured of serious kidney derangements by it. Derangements of the feminine organs quickly affect the kidneys, and when a woman has such symptoms as pain or weight in the loins, backache, bearing down pains, urine too frequent, scanty or high colored, producing scalding or burning, or deposits like brick dust in it; unusual thirst, swelling of hands and feet, swelling under the eyes or sharp pains in the back running down the inside of her groin, she may be sure her kidneys are affected and should lose no time in combating the disease with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, the woman's remedy for woman's ills.

The following letters show how marvelously successful it is.

Mrs. Samuel Frake, of Prospect Plains, N. J., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—

I cannot thank you enough for what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. When I first wrote to you I had suffered for years with what the doctor called kidney trouble and congestion of the womb. My back ached dreadfully all the time, and I suffered so with that bearing-down feeling I could hardly walk across the room. I did not get any better, so decided to stop doctoring with my physician and take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I am thankful to say it has entirely cured me. I do all my own work, have no more backache and all the bad symptoms have disappeared.

I cannot praise your medicine enough, and would advise all women suffering with kidney trouble to try it.

Mrs. J. W. Lang, of 626 Third Avenue, New York, writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—

I have been a great sufferer with kidney trouble. My back ached all the time and I was discouraged. I heard that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound would cure kidney disease, and I began to take it; and it has cured me when everything else had failed. I have recommended it to lots of people and they all praise it very highly.

Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation.

Women suffering from kidney trouble, or any form of female weakness are invited to promptly communicate with Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Out of the great volume of experience which she has to draw from, it is more than likely she has the very knowledge that will help your case. Her advice is free and always helpful.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound: a Woman's Remedy for Woman's Ills.

BOWLING.

[CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE.]

Fuller's 1612, Bills's 1473.

Capt. Fuller's team defeated the team captained by Bills by 39 points in the second firemen's bowling match on Tufts's alleys Wednesday night. The summary:

Capt. Fuller.				
F. Roche,	105	133	88	326
Moran,	107	110	113	330
Learned,	169	112	88	369
Hunt,	91	54	95	240
Maxwell,	114	110	123	347
	581	519	507	1612

Capt. Bills.				
Johnson,	111	87	83	283
Lovett,	81	92	99	275
S. French,	79	74	94	247
Gunn,	140	131	153	424
Thompson,	64	85	95	241
	480	469	524	1473

No. 1 Mill Weavers 3, No. 2 Mill Weavers 1.

The No. 1 Mill Weavers defeated the No. 2 Mill Weavers at bowling on Wednesday evening at Bond's alley in Thorndike by 3 to 1 points and 56 pins. The score:

No. 1 Mill.				
Chandanois,	118	98	93	307
Holden,	85	150	146	381
Riel,	159	127	135	421
Clark,	132	130	137	399
Lamary,	102	104	90	296
Total,	596	601	607	1809

No. 2 Mill,				
Come,	118	127	108	353
Chabbot,	139	104	121	364
Nephew,	128	114	93	335
Vasha,	106	96	109	311
St. Amen,	128	129	128	385
Total,	619	570	559	1748

Shuttleworth's 4, Robinson's 0.

The sixth game in the six-team Thorndike league was played last evening on Bond's alley in Thorndike and resulted in a shut-out for the Shuttleworth's, the score being in points 4 to 0. The score:

Shuttleworth's.				
Daley,	137	118	145	400
Otis,	134	116	124	374
Clark,	130	145	111	386
Longtiue,	119	124	159	402
Shuttleworth,	141	170	185	496
Total,	661	673	724	2058

Robinson's.				
Dunn,	152	114	112	378
Gay,	123	137	92	352
Riel,	96	121	89	306
Riley,	119	84	118	321
Robinson,	105	146	123	375
Total,	596	602	534	1732

The standing of the Thorndike league to date is as follows:

Teams.	Games Played.	Points Won.	Points Lost.
Shuttleworth's,	2	6	2
Keefe's,	1	2	2
Robinson's,	2	2	6
McKenzie's,	2	4	4
McCrea's,	1	4	0
Norton's,	2	2	6

WILBRAHAM.

Democratic Caucus.

The Wilbraham Democratic caucus was held last Friday evening in North Wilbraham. James F. Morgan was chairman, and F. W. Green secretary. The nominations: Town clerk and treasurer, E. W. Wall; selectman for three years, William H. Day; assessor for three years, James J. Murphy; school committee for three years, Robert A. Green; auditor, H. Willis Cutler; constables, Augustus A. Friend, Joseph J. Baldwin, Henry M. Green, Calvin G. Robbins and Delbert H. Easton; fence viewers, H. M. Green, C. G. Robbins, Frank Moore and J. W. Baldwin; library trustee for three years, H. Willis Cutler; moderator of town meeting, W. Franklin Morgan.

Mrs. C. L. Hubbard has been confined to her home for several weeks by illness.

Miss Dora M. Merrick, who is teaching in Greenwich, is spending her vacation in town.

The annual parish meeting of the First Congregational church was held Monday afternoon, when these officers were elected: Parish committee, C. P. Bolles, C. C. Beebe and E. S. Keyes; treasurer, C. E. Peck; clerk, H. M. Bliss; auditor, Henry Clark; collector, E. A. Phelps; parish loan committee, C. C. Beebe; committee on music, Miss Mary E. Howard.

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as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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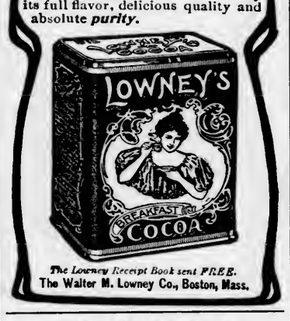

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Body of Woman Frozen in Ice in East Wilbraham.

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Found Near Woodlot by Two Men. Not the Slightest Clue as to Identity.

The body of an unknown woman was found late Sunday afternoon by Philip Sullivan and William Fogarty in a woodlot in East Wilbraham. The body was so badly decomposed that the bones were almost bare of flesh and it is probable that it had lain in the woods for many months, possibly since last summer. There is nothing to indicate how the woman came to her death, but it is presumed that she died of exposure. The head was separated from the body and there was no flesh upon it. The body was taken to the police station in Springfield, where it remained unidentified until Wednesday, when it was removed to the morgue at the almshouse, and was buried in the potter's field to-day.

Sullivan and Fogarty were on their way to a lumber camp in the woodlot late Sunday afternoon when they made the discovery. The lot lies alongside the road which leads from the house of James Morgan, on the corner of the state road, to Three Rivers. For several rods from the road there is a clearing, and the body was found some 15 or 20 rods beyond the edge of the woods. The men saw a part of the body above the ice and notified Mr. King, who visited the place about 6 30 that evening and verified their conclusions. Early Monday morning Mr King notified Selectman William Day, who accompanied him to the spot and assisted in digging the body out of the ice. It was taken to Wilbraham, and Associate Medical Examiner H. C. Emerson of Springfield went there to view it. He ordered it removed to the Springfield police station.

The woman was probably between 50 and 60 years old and her clothing would indicate that she was of foreign nationality. Upon the body was found a string of rosary beads, which would indicate that she was a Catholic. There is some reason to believe that she is the same woman who called at the lumber camp in Mr. King's woodlot some time last fall in search of work as a cook. David Duquette, a foreman in the camp, recalls her appearance and thinks it corresponds to the description of the dead woman. She left the camp near nightfall, but soon became lost and returned there. Later she left again in search of the road. If this is the same woman it is probable that she never reached it.

BASKETBALL.

Monson Academy 57, Carpet City Five 12.

Monson Academy defeated the Carpet City Five of Thompsonville in an uninteresting game in Monson Saturday afternoon. This was the Academy's 10th victory, it having won 10 games out of 15 and defeated high school teams of Palmer, Stafford, Ware, West Springfield and Springfield. This was the last game scheduled for this season. The summary:

Monson Academy.		Carpet City Five.
Briggs, l f,		r g, Stetson
Hynes, r f		l g, Mitchell
Faulkner, c		c, Cushman
English, l g,		r f, Oats
Rourke, r g		l f, Triggs

Score: Monson Academy 57, Carpet City Five 12. Goals from field, Briggs 12, Hynes 3, English 2, Faulkner 10, Cushman 2, Oats 2. Goals from fouls, Stetson 2. Mitchell, Triggs. Hynes. Referee, R. Stebbins. Time, 24-minute halves. Timer, E. Hanley. Scorer, W. Cahill. Attendance, 200.

Tie Game at Belchertown.

Belchertown High and the Holyoke Consolidated team played a tie game at Belchertown Saturday night. The score was 16 to 16 at the close of the two regular periods, and as one of the high school players had to leave, it was permitted to stand that way. The summary:

Belchertown High.		Holyoke Consolidated.
Atwood, l f		r g, Mack
Bridgman, r f		l g, Hartyair
G. Williams, c		c, Alben
L. Williams, l g		r f, Palmer
Atkins, r g,		l f, Bullard

Score: Belchertown High 16, Holyoke Consolidated 16. Goals from field, Atwood 2, L. Williams 3, G. Williams, Bridgman, Palmer 3, Bullard, Alben 3, Hartyair. Goals from fouls, Atwood 2. Referee, Riley. Timer, Hoag. Time, 20-minute halves. Attendance, 150.

Wilbraham Town Meeting.

Wilbraham held its annual town meeting Monday in Grace chapel in North Wilbraham. It was voted to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding $5000 for the purpose of erecting and furnishing a new schoolhouse in district No. 8, on the site of the one recently burned. It was also voted to appropriate from money in the treasury a sum not exceeding $4500 for the purpose of procuring in district No. 4 a new lot, constructing a new three-room school building thereon and furnishing and equipping the same, it being claimed that the present one is unsanitary and inadequate for the purpose. A committee, consisting of three members of the school board and H. W. Cutler and William H. Kallman, was appointed to secure a lot in district No. 4 and to have charge of the erection and furnishing of two new buildings. It was voted to instruct the selectmen to make contracts for electric lighting of streets in town, providing it can be done at reasonable rates. The following officers were elected and appropriations made:

Moderator, W. F. Morgan; clerk and treasurer, E. W. Wall; selectmen for three years, W. H. Day; assessor for three years, A. A. Phelps; school committee for three years, Evanore O. Beebe; auditor, Charles C. Beebe; tax collector, Herbert F. Greene; tree warden, Henry I Edson; constables, Calvin G. Robbins, Delbert H. Eaton, Augustus F. Friend, Henry M. Green, Joseph J. Baldwin; fence viewers, Calvin G Robbins, Allyn M. Seaver, William T. Eaton, Henry M. Green; town loan committee, J. M. Perry; library trustee for three years, H. Willis Cutler. Appropriations: Schools, $4000; repairs on schoolhouses, 400; library, 25; high school tuition, 800; paupers, 1500; highways and bridges, 2000; music in public schools, 159; care of cemeteries, 50; care and winding town clock, 25; street lights, 600; new schoolhouse, district 4, 4500; new schoolhouse, district 8, 5000; Memorial Day, 75; contingent account and town officers, 1500; total, 26 625. Liquor license: Yes, 50; no, 103.

Ludlow Votes for License.

The Ludlow town meeting was held Monday in Joy's hall in Ludlow, when 260 votes were cast. The business part of the meeting was transacted quickly. Joy street and the Holyoke road are to have electric lights. It was voted to appropriate the sum of $2200 for a new sidewalk from North street to the intersection of Hubbard street with East street. A special committee, consisting of John E. Stevens, E. E. Chapman and M. T. Kane, was appointed to consider the question of a new school building The town voted license by a small majority, the vote being 102 to 96.

BOWLING.

Three Rivers 2476, Palmer 2228.

Three Rivers won four points from Palmer in the first of a series of four games on Tufts's alleys last Friday night. Upham was high man with 539. The summary:

Three Rivers.				
Frame,	149	160	199	508
Lavene,	145	180	164	489
Trickett,	134	155	156	445
Upham,	183	189	167	539
Story,	179	167	149	495
Total,	790	851	835	2476
Palmer.				
Keith,	149	152	145	446
Barrett,	159	156	130	459
Morrill,	134	169	156	449
Tufts,	154	151	186	491
Roche,	153	167	117	437
Total,	749	795	734	2228

Three Rivers 4, Thorndike 0.

Three Rivers shut out Thorndike on Bond's alleys in Thorndike Saturday afternoon, defeating them in the total by 155 pins. Lavene's total was 514, McCrea was high single with 184. The score:

Three Rivers.				
Frame,	128	134	169	431
Lavene,	168	176	170	514
Trickett,	142	181	139	462
Upham,	160	175	148	483
Story,	116	149	163	472
Totals,	758	815	789	2362
Thorndike.				
Shuttleworth,	125	126	139	390
McCrea,	155	184	153	492
Mckenzie,	145	173	134	452
Norton,	171	156	127	454
Robinson,	133	134	152	419
Totals,	729	773	705	2207

Palmer 1196, Thorndike 1161.

Palmer won three points from Thorndike in the fifth game of the candlepin league at Thorndike Monday night. The summary:

Palmer.				
Tufts,	100	85	75	260
Ahearn,	85	75	77	237
Holden,	69	79	80	228
McBride,	76	86	73	245
Roche,	68	78	80	226
Total,	398	413	385	1196
Thorndike.				
Lafarr,	77	69	85	231
McCrea,	77	74	68	219
Riley,	73	79	79	231
Arecotte,	87	81	80	248
Robinson,	78	73	81	232
Total,	392	376	393	1161

S. & E. 2153, Palmer Second 2039.

The Springfield and Eastern street railway team won three points and Palmer second one at Tufts's alleys Monday night. The summary:

Springfield and Eastern.				
Fay,	117	158	173	443
Fitzgerald,	119	138	143	400
Moran,	134	129	106	369
Monahan,	175	174	128	476
Trainor,	169	178	118	465
Total,	713	772	668	2153
Palmer Second.				
Brown,	110	106	142	358
Gunn,	168	166	114	448
Daley,	118	188	108	414
Burdick,	107	144	115	366
O'Connor,	132	169	152	453
Total,	635	773	631	2039

Palmer 2446, Otis 2247.

The Palmer bowling team defeated the team from the Otis Company Tuesday night in Tufts's alleys. The scores:

Palmer.				
Barrett,	123	180	219	522
Keith,	115	161	166	442
Roche,	173	148	131	452
Tufts,	169	174	162	505
Morrill,	149	170	206	525
Totals,	729	833	864	2446
Otis Company.				
Moore,	132	137	162	431
Rodgers,	127	142	168	437
McBride,	143	100	175	418
McHenry,	153	199	156	508
Orrell,	118	200	135	453
Total,	673	758	796	2247

Thorndike Jrs. 1099, Three Rivers Jrs. 1025

The Thorndike and Three Rivers Juniors played a close game of candlepins on Bond's alley in Thorndike on Tuesday evening, which resulted in a victory for the Thorndike Juniors by 74 pins. Vasha was high man with a single of 90 and a total of 239 The summary:

Thorndike Jrs.				
Holden,	86	72	66	215
Clark,	68	77	77	221
Crean,	69	70	64	203
Lamary,	63	81	78	222
Vasha,	80	99	69	239
Total,				
Three Rivers Jrs.				
Garvals,	70	66	56	192
Provost,	77	70	72	219
Mart,	55	66	61	182
Harper,	67	76	71	214
Barber,	80	70	68	218
Total,	349	348	328	1025

Bondsville 1183, Three Rivers 1150.

Bondsville won by four points from Three Rivers in the last game of the first series in the candlepin league in Tufts's alleys Wednesday evening. The score:

Bondsville.				
Moriarty,	75	79	75	229
Sharratt,	86	72	83	241
Hayes,	85	76	79	240
Moore,	70	74	77	221
Bowler,	84	80	88	252
Total,	400	381	402	1183
Three Rivers.				
Abare,	88	82	74	244
Vient,	65	72	67	204
Rogers,	76	70	78	224
Provost,	73	80	75	228
Burnette,	85	74	91	250
Total,	387	378	385	1150

Firemen 1921, Butchers 1868.

The firemen and butchers broke even, two points apiece, on Tufts's alleys last night. The score:

Firemen.				
Fuller,	112	117	118	347
Parker,	120	176	136	432
Summers,	145	125	114	384
Learned,	164	107	159	430
Wilcox,	114	97	120	331
Total,	655	622	644	1921
Butchers.				
Stacy,	85	140	118	343
Kempton,	124	154	163	441
Shaw,	104	112	133	349
Gunn,	133	152	140	425
Thompson,	101	96	113	310
Total,	547	654	667	1868

Norton's 4, Robinson's 0.

The Norton's defeated the Robinsons at bowling on Bond's alleys in Thorndike by a score of 4 to 0, and a total of 203 pins. Shuttleworth was high man with a single of 193 and a total of 514. The following is the score;

Norton's.				
Shuttleworth,	157	164	193	514
Walker,	120	129	138	387
Furkey,	116	168	138	422
Arecotte,	162	122	105	389
Norton,	127	125	149	401
Total,	682	708	723	2113
Robinson's.				
Lafarar,	148	126	124	398
Gay,	131	141	130	402
Riel,	119	135	113	367
Hurley,	110	119	102	331
Robinson,	135	111	166	412
Total,	643	632	635	1910

The Thorndikes and Palmers will play at Bond's alleys in Thorndike Monday evening the first game in the second series in the town league.

Mrs John Dean, 59, died at her home near the Point of Rocks on North Main street Monday morning; she had been in poor health for a long time. She leaves a husband and one son, William, and one daughter, Mrs. Jason Palmer; also two sisters and three brothers. The funeral was held from the house Wednesday afternoon at 2 30.

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE.

Lists Nominated by Caucuses Last Friday Evening.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE VOTERS

Some Sharp Criticism of the Conduct of Officials of the Past Year.

The attendance at the caucuses for the nomination of town officers last Friday night was very good, about 200 votes being cast in each. E. E. Hobson was chairman and W. E. McDonald secretary of the Republican, and T. J. Moran chairman and E. P. Brown secretary of the Democratic. The list of names as they appeared on the ballots is given below, a star indicating nomination:

REPUBLICAN.		DEMOCRATIC.	
SELECTMEN.			
C T Brainerd	83	*C T Brainerd	124
T J Conroy	86	T J Conroy	86
*William Lawton	143	*William Lawton	130
*James Summers	94	James Summers	84
*J F Twiss	94	*J F Twiss	141
ASSESSORS.			
*L G Barker	79	L G Barker	63
H T Bishop	56	*H T Bishop	106
C N Ellithorpe	75	C N Ellithorpe	38
*B F Emery	78	B F Emery	41
*J O Hamilton	128	*J O Hamilton	119
A A Warriner	66	*A A Warriner	140
TAX COLLECTOR.			
J A Hawkes	85	*J A Hawkes	176
*Byram Woodhead	90		
OVERSEER OF POOR, 3 YEARS.			
*E W Carpenter	144	*A A Warriner	158
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 YEARS.			
*G D Mooers	124	*G D Mooers	140
*A J Purinton	133	*A J Purinton	88
TOWN CLERK.			
*J F Foley	144	*J F Foley	173
TOWN TREASURER.			
*J F Holbrook	153	*J F Holbrook	143
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, 3 YEARS.			
*H G Loomis	133	*H L Bodfish	101
BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 YEARS.			
*S O Miller	142	*S O Miller	124
CONSTABLES.			
*G A Bills	137	*G A Bills	112
*M Collins	130	*M Collins	152
T J Conroy	82	*T J Conroy	114
*T W Holt	127	*J J Manning	158
*J J Manning	100	*E F McKelligott	161
*E F McKelligott	116		
AUDITORS.			
*E W Carpenter	115	*E W Carpenter	111
*C A LeGro	104	*C A LeGro	102
F A Upham	79		
FENCE VIEWERS.			
*G M Atkins	105	*Dennis Mahoney	130
*E J Fuller	109	*F M Shearer	103
*C S Ruggles	110	*William Whiting	101
Horace Stimson	94		

Although defeated in both caucuses, Mr. Ellithorpe has decided to run for assessor and has taken out nomination papers. T. J. Conroy concluded also to try conclusions with the others for the position of selectman and has also filed nomination papers, as has C. B. Thomas for constable. Mr. Conroy has declined the nomination for constable, and G. M. Atkins refuses possible honors as fence viewer.

There seems to be more than the usual interest in the election this spring, judging from the letters concerning various matters and officials which are to be found in another column. After the sharp criticism of various officials which the "town meeting" a year ago developed, the Journal predicted that failure to obey the instructions—implicit or implied—of the voters during the year just closed would doom the offending official to political retirement. That the voters think their instructions have not been followed is evident from the tone of some of the letters; what the result will be cannot of course be told until after the votes are counted next Monday, but if the feeling which prevailed last spring still exists there are likely to be changes in the personnel of the town's official family.

A new feature this year is the printing of posters advising the voters to vote for certain candidates for selectmen. They have been placed on some of the billboards of the town, but merchants decline to become partisans by allowing them in their store windows.

Indications point to a full vote. A special session of the district court for naturalization last Friday created a number of new voters who were promptly registered, and the assessors added a number of other names to the voting list at their session Saturday; there are now 1265 names on the list.

The polls will be open at 6 o'clock Monday morning, and may be closed at 3 o'clock; they probably will be closed at that time, as usual.

Bondsville—Thorndike Pool Match.

The Bondsville-Thorndike pool match, which has been going on for some time, still continues to be of much interest and large numbers from the two villages are present at each game. The games have been played in Thorndike and Bondsville alternately. The contest is 2000 balls. The last game in the first half was played on March 9th. At the end of the first 1000 balls the Bondsvilles lead by 30 balls. The following is a list of the players and points to their credit. For Bondsville P. Bowler and P. Sullivan are high men; Gebo and Walker lead for Thorndike.

Bondsville.		
Players.	Games Played.	Points
M. Moriarty,	2	106
J. Morlarty,	2	93
Hayes,	2	113
Donahue,	2	87
J. Sullivan,	2	81
J. Bowler,	2	81
M. Sullivan,	2	124
P. Bowler,	2	148
P. Sullivan,	2	146
Mansfield,	2	89
	20	1068
Thorndike.		
Players.	Games Played.	Points
C. Bresette,	2	96
T. Sullivan,	2	103
Pero,	2	95
M. Sullivan,	2	63
Walker,	2	104
D. Bressette,	2	96
P. McKelligott,	2	83
Gebo,	2	127
Hurley,	2	101
Loftus,	2	82
	20	950

Death of Belchertown Woman.

The many friends of Mrs. Edward A. Randall of Belchertown were shocked to learn of her tragic death last week Thursday night. Mrs. Randall had been suffering for several months past with melancholia, and was found by her husband suspended from a rafter in the attic upon his return from a meeting about 7 o'clock last week Thursday evening. Although fears were entertained regarding her trouble, her mind was at times clear, and only the day before she had assisted Mr. Randall in his business accounts. Mrs. Randall was about 44 years old, and was a woman of brilliant intellect. She had a fine education, which enabled her to take a prominent part in the social life of the village. She is survived by her husband, Edward A. Randall, a member of the board of selectmen, and two children, Amy, a student at Westfield Normal School, and Frank at home. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, Rev. J. B. Adkins officiating.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, MARCH 15, 1905.

State politics begin to loom up in the business of the session, and we may expect that there will henceforth be at least ruffles on the hitherto placid surface of the Legislative sea. For instance, it seemed, in the few minutes' debate yesterday upon Mr. Luce's proposition that the state retain the railroad corporation tax, as if the question of the state tax would be a perplexing and burdensome one, for, instead of its being $1,500,000 to $2,500,000, as it has been for the last 30 years, it must this year be at least $4,000,000, which is the highest by far ever known, or $4,250,000. Mr Schofield of Ipswich, Democrat, reflected pretty strongly upon Gov Bates, though he did not name him, for using his efforts last year to keep the state tax down, presumably for political purposes, in order that his election might not be endangered by a big state tax, when there was good excuse for putting it up $1,000,000, on account of the state's taking charge of the insane poor of the cities and towns, and when the people would have accepted the explanation without charging it against the Republican administration. So, before we get through with it, state finances may cause considerable debate, though, after all, there are the debts to pay and the state will have to pay them, which means that the tax must go higher.

But there is politics also in the reciprocity and tariff business. It is evident with half an eye to any reader that such a weak set of resolutions as was reported in support of the recommendation of the governor for freer trade relations with Canada was the outcome of nothing but political exigency.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 17, 1905.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Vote for Twiss, Lawton and Summers, and get Selectmen that will look after the best interests of the town.

The New York Millinery Store, under the management of Miss Lila B. Collis, will open with a full line of spring millinery in the Feeney block, corner of Main and Central streets, March 27.

PALMER NEWS.

Farmers' Institute.

The first farmers' institute of the season was held in the district court room on Tuesday, under the auspices of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society. The speaker was Stancliffe Hale of Glastonbury, Ct., and his subject "Commercial Fruit Growing for Massachusetts."

Mr. Hale was of the opinion that Massachusetts is as good if not better than most any of the states in this particular line of business, because of its fine railroad facilities, which brings the orchards close to the markets, and that Boston, Worcester and Springfield were excellent markets for fruit, and usually better prices prevail in the markets named than elsewhere. Massachusetts consumes an enormous amount of fruit. He devoted some time to the smaller fruits and said that strawberries can be grown on almost any farm in Massachusetts, and that in his experience the early strawberry brings the fruit grower the most profit, although the crop may not be so large as the later variety. Light soil, he claimed, is the best for the early crop. He said that no apples anywhere in the country can equal in quality and beauty those grown on the rocky hills of New England, and with the markets filling up annually with apples of inferior quality at small prices from other sections, there is an ever-increasing demand the country over for New England apples of superior quality, at higher prices. The fruit-grower must take care of his orchards by continual spraying to keep his orchard free from scale. He also brought up the subject of the development of old pasture land, which could be made profitable by planting orchards. He thinks it necessary for the fruit-grower to label his goods and to keep trying to produce the best possible fruit. The peach-grower in Massachusetts has an advantage over those of other states because of his being so near the market.

Mr. Hale began at 11 in the morning, and after a recess for dinner spoke until 3 in the afternoon, after which an hour was spent in answering questions and discussing the matters touched on during the address. There was an attendance of about 50.

Probate Court Business.

Regular sittings of the probate court were held in Holyoke and Springfield Wednesday, when the following business of local interest was transacted: Administrations granted in the estates of—Henry M. Chapin, late of Ludlow, Adelbert L. Bennett of Ludlow administrator; Thomas Flynn, late of Palmer, James G. Dunning of Springfield administrator; Mary McNamara, late of Palmer, Ellen S. Leach administratrix; Thankful M. Keyes, late of Ludlow, Myron H. Keyes of Boston administrator. Wills approved of—Charles J. Hanson, late of Monson, Bridget A. Hanson of Monson executrix; Patrick Purcell, late of Monson, Thomas Purcell of Hardwick, Vt., executor. Sales of real estate decreed in the estates of Frank L. Skinner and Orra B. Skinner of Monson, minors.

Mrs. G. A. Moore spent Sunday with her sister in Pittsfield.

Mrs. J. B. Benson of Windsor Locks, Ct., is visiting her husband.

The public schools closed this afternoon for two weeks' vacation.

Miss Ruth Fiske is home from Westfield Normal School for a vacation.

P. A. Leighton of Springfield has taken a position in the Quimby Pharmacy.

William Lawson of Holyoke spent Sunday at his home on the Three Rivers road.

Mrs. J. A. Palmer is converting her house on Knox street into two tenements.

The Entre Nous Whist Club met Tuesday evening with Mrs. S. B. Keith on Central street.

Frank McGuan of Central street has taken a position with Whitcomb & Faulkner.

A herd of ten fine deer was seen feeding in a field on the Hastings farm near Forest Lake Sunday.

There will be a social dance in Memorial Hall this evening at 8 o'clock. The tickets will be 50 cents.

Mrs. A. Atkins of Lenox was a guest of Mrs. Henry Atkins on Central street the first of the week.

Mrs. James Kendrick of Barre Plains is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Goodes on Pine street.

Mrs. A. E. Fitch entertained a party of ladies at whist at her home on Central street Tuesday afternoon.

F. D. Barton left last Saturday night for a business trip in the West; he was accompanied by his son Robert.

Mrs. F. M. Eager has gone to Lakewood, N. J., with her daughter, Mrs. Rokenhaugh, for a stay of several weeks.

R. B. Marsh has resigned his position as clerk for the E. Brown Company and will move April 1st to Brockton.

Mrs. W. E. Breckenridge and son Henry of New York are guests of Mr. and Mr. F. F. Marcy on King street.

Miss Louise Gifford of Wellesley College spent Sunday with her father, W. H Gifford, at the Converse House.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2:30.

Leonard Smith has resigned his position as clerk in the Quimby Pharmacy, and will leave there to-morrow night.

The subject of the sermon at St. Paul's church next Sunday morning will be "The Second Message From the Cross."

A regular meeting of the Knights of King Arthur was held Wednesday evening and eight new members were received.

One of the novelties of the season has been the green pinks which Royce & Co. have on sale to-day in Daley's restaurant.

The J. F. Gallivan building company has taken the contract to build 12 cottages, a church and a schoolhouse in Easley, S. C.

A shepherd dog owned by William Saunders was run over and killed by a milk wagon on Main street Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Clarence M. Wing gave a small whist party at her home on Central street Saturday afternoon, ladies only being in attendance.

Daniel J. O'Connor is having rooms fitted up on the second floor of the Holden block on Main street and will open a dental office there.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Second Baptist church gave a musical and literary entertainment in the vestry Tuesday evening.

There will be a preaching service in the Advent chapel Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Makepeace will have charge.

The O. M. Graves farm on the quarry road to Monson has been sold to Sherman Stebbins through the D. F. Holden real estate agency.

Harry Blaudamar, who has been in New York for some time in the interests of the Harvest Hat Company, has returned to his home here.

A number of new books have been added to the library of the Congregational Sunday school and will be ready for distribution next Sunday.

Miss Bernice Goddard, who has been teaching to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Ryther, has been elected for the remainder of the year.

The W. E. Hancock place, near the electric plant at Blanchardville, was sold at auction Tuesday for non-payment of taxes. It went to Harold Brainerd for $55.

The Christian Endeavor Society held a food sale in the vestry of the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon, followed by an entertainment in the evening.

Mrs. J. C. Wing entertained the teachers of the primary department of the Congregational Sunday school at her home on Central street Monday afternoon and evening.

The New York millinery store, under the management of Miss Lila B. Collis, will open in the store in the Feeney block, formerly occupied by Clark, the Outfitter, on Monday, the 27th.

The Wire Mill schoolhouse was broken into a few nights ago and a quantity of brushes and pencils stolen. The work was evidently that of youngsters, but who they are cannot be determined.

At the regular Lenten service in St. Paul's church last evening Dr. Tomlinson of Worcester spoke on "Impressive Sayings of Jesus." Next Thursday evening Rev. C. C. Conner of Monson will be the speaker.

C. A. & L. A. Royce have bought of G. B. Kenerson his carpet cleaning business, and will move it to their recently purchased property on North Main street, where they will be ready to attend to customers in a short time.

Frank L Dillon, who has been instructor in Latin and Greek in the Drury high school, North Adams, has resigned that position, to take effect at the Easter vacation, and will travel for a New York cement manufacturing concern.

The Palmer Business and Social Club held a regular meeting Tuesday evening, followed by a smoke talk and entertainment. Dr. J. P. Schneider entertained with phonograph selections, and S. S. Taft of Springfield gave an address. Lunch was served.

The special session of the district court held Saturday afternoon granted final naturalization papers to Ralph L. Senecal, Napoleon Labelle, Philip Gendreau, Towel E. Yek, Gustave Eckert, Rodolph Liehin, Gideon Denelle, Thomas Johnstone, Frank J. Salamon, Adelard Murray and Tomasc Klinek.

A party, conducted by R. J. Fuller, superintendent of schools, will leave tomorrow morning for a week's trip to Washington, D. C. The party will be composed of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Upham, Miss Blanche Upham, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Holden, Mrs. Charles Olmstead, Miss Susie E. Goodwin, Miss Katherine Shea, C. H. Hobson and H. F. Tobey.

An insane man, giving his name as D. D. Johnson of Springfield, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer Thomas. He was seen first in the Glen by employes in the Boston and Albany signal tower, who notified the officer. He was kneeling and praying, but became very violent when an attempt was made to take him. He was placed in the lockup, where he was visited last night by relatives, who took him back to Springfield.

The pupils of the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades of the grammar school gave an exhibition or "Parents' Day" in the assembly hall of the school building this afternoon with this program:

Song. "Folic Wind."	Grade Five
Exercise.	Six Boys, Grade Three
Recitation.	Frances Chandler
Song. "The Modest Violet."	Grade Six
Recitation.	Bertha Hunnewell
Recitation.	Ruth Buffington
Song. "God's Manifestations."	Grade Four
Recitation.	Harold Andrew
Song. "As God Will."	Grade Six
Recitation. America.	Margaret O'Connor

Miss Annie Tucker, who has taught the first grade in the grammar school for the past seven years, has resigned and will leave that position to-night. She is in need of rest and will return to her home in Melrose. Miss Tucker has been a wonderfully successful teacher, and it is with regret deep and sincere that the school committee and the parents part with her. Superintendent Fuller has secured for the position Miss Maraketa Goodrich of Quincy, a graduate of a normal school and a teacher of several years' experience.

Work was begun Tuesday morning tearing down the Smith house on Main street, recently sold to E. W. and C. H. Burns. There were two families in the house at the time. The barn was taken down Tuesday and Wednesday the men began work on the house. They were fast approaching the inside of the upper part when the tenant there decided that he would move, and accordingly did. Work progressed until about noon, when it was suspended and was not resumed until to-day, the family in the lower tenement having moved out.

Services at the Congregational church Sunday at the usual hours. Subject of the morning sermon, "The Shadow of the Cross," being the first in a series of Lenten discourses ending with Easter Sunday. Subjects to follow: "The Mount of Glory," "The Valley of Humiliation," "The Garden of Sorrow," "The Crime of the Ages," "The Amazing Victory." The Sunday evening services will also be appropriate to the Lenten season, the general topic being, "Life with God." Sub-topics: "Seeking to know God," "Choosing His Will," "Loving as God Loves," "Suffering as the Sons of God," "Growth in the Likeness of God."

PALMER CENTER.

Miss Sarah Trumble entertained friends from Springfield Sunday.

John Dimock lost his valuable fox dog, "Miles," Sunday from a disease that is prevalent among dogs here.

Asa Gates, who has been employed as engineer on the Central Vermont railroad, has resigned that position and returned to his farm.

THORNDIKE.

A square deal for all, and the taxpayers protected. Vote for Twiss, Lawton and Summers for selectmen.

The New York Millinery Store, with a full line of spring millinery, will open in the Feeney block in Palmer, March 27, under the management of Miss Lila B. Collis.

Daniel Shea is ill at his home on Main street.

John Lynch of Church street is visiting friends in Warren this week.

Miss Louise Longtine spent Sunday with Miss Ella McMannus in Springfield.

Edward Curtin, station agent, passed Sunday at his home in West Brookfield.

Miss Katie Daley passed Friday with her nephew, Thomas Morrison in Springfield.

Misses Katherine and Mary Fleming are attending the millinery openings in New York.

Miss Sadie Fleming of Ware, formerly of Thorndike, was the guest of friends here Sunday.

Miss Nellie Lawlor entertained a friend from Ware at her home on Summer street Sunday.

Miss Sophie LaPlante, who for the past three months has lived in Southbridge, has returned and gone to Springfield, where she will reside.

Most of the help in the No. 1 mill were forced to take a vacation to-day on account of the ice which interfered with the power.

Mrs. Henry A. Hill of Southbridge, formerly of Thorndike, visited friends here this week.

Miss Margaret Moriarty of Bondsville is visiting Mrs. James F. Loftus on Commercial street.

Samuel Brown, who has been ill this week at his home on Commercial street, is improving.

Miss Mamie Sheehan of Springfield spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. L. Sheehan of Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Sullivan are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter Tuesday.

Miss Kathryn Burns of Palmer spent a few days this week with her cousin, Florence Shugrue on Harvey avenue.

Joseph Bonville fell into the No. 2 canal this forenoon while at work clearing away the ice. He was rescued without trouble and taken to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kinworthy and daughters, Ruth and Marion, of Springfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James MacCauley on Commercial street Sunday.

Mrs. Lucinthia J. Hudson observed her 83d birthday at her home on Commercial street Monday in a pleasant but quiet manner. Many friends and relatives called during the day to tender their congratulations, and Mrs. Hudson was the recipient of a number of gifts.

Thomas Morrison, Sr., a well-known former resident of Thorndike, died at his home in Jewett City, Ct., Monday after a short illness of Bright's disease. The deceased leaves two sons, Thomas and Arthur of Springfield, and two daughters, Mrs. Frank McCuska of Thorndike and another who reside in Connecticut. The funeral was Wednesday morning. A number of friends and relatives from Thorndike attended.

THREE RIVERS.

Crimson Rambler rose bushes at J. T. Geer's Nursery.

Elect the best candidates for selectmen, and vote for Twiss, Lawton and Summers. Make no mistake and vote right.

The New York Millinery Store, Miss Lila B. Collis, manager, will open March 27 in the Feeney block, Palmer, with a full line of spring millinery.

Cows Poisoned.

Albert Fleury, who lives on the Belchertown road, found two of his cows dead in the barn Wednesday morning and three others in a critical condition, one of them dying in a short time. H. C. Paige, a veterinary surgeon in Amherst, was summoned and found after a careful examination that the animals had been poisoned. It was thought that the poison was put into the watering tub where the cattle drank, but no evidence was found to support this theory. A number of the other cattle were affected, but no more have died.

Robert L. Geer is ill at his home on Maple street.

L. G. Barker has bought the milk route of A. C. Fleury.

Miss Emma Bruce spent Sunday with friends in Ware.

Mrs. Richard Russell is visiting friends in West Warren.

The public schools close to-day for a two-weeks' vacation.

Paul Rollett is seriously ill at his home on Bourne street.

Daniel J. Dunn is contemplating a tour to South Dakota.

The B. and A. railroad station is receiving a coat of paint.

Mrs. Joseph Schofield of New Bedford is visiting Mrs. A. S. Barton.

Miss Sarah J. MacNally of Ireland is visiting Mrs. William Smith.

R. H. Bangs has moved into the house formerly occupied by S. W. Wells.

Mrs. Thomas Russell of Lowell is visiting Mrs. T. D. Frame on Maple street.

James Hannifin has signed with the Binghamton baseball club of New York.

Dominique Accorsi has moved his pool rooms from Dunn's block to Thompson's block.

Gavin Bruce of New York spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bruce.

Peter Ouimett has severed his connection in the coal and wood business of W. F. Fillmore.

Mrs. Charles Hubbard was called to Lime, N. H., Saturday by the serious illness of her father.

Superintendent of Streets Brainard thawed out the frozen catch basins by steam last Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Olmstead, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Upham and Miss Blanche Upham will go to Washington, D. C., to-morrow morning.

Mrs. A. F. Calkins spent Wednesday and Thursday with her sister, Mrs. N. K. Chamberlin in Monson.

Miss Abbie O. Burbanks of West Warren has taken a position as stenographer in the office of the Palmer Mill.

Mrs. A. S. Geer went to Clifton Springs, N. Y., Saturday, where she expects to stay until she recovers her health.

Miss Amy Stewart of Valley Falls, Ct., who has been visiting her father, James B. Stewart at the Wenimissett, returned home Thursday.

At the Union Evangelical church Sunday morning Henry C. Newell, dean of the Piedmont College in Demorest, Ga., will give an account of the work in which he is engaged in the South. In the evening Rev. Charles Olmstead will speak on "Gathering the Stones out of Life's Pathway."

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Union church held a sociable at the home of Rev. Charles Olmstead Tuesday evening. A literary program was enjoyed, consisting of readings by W. A. Calkins, Miss Annie Woodworth and Miss Mande Fillmore; vocal solo by Miss Blanche Upham; piano solos by Miss Blanche Shaw and Miss May Senton. The Y. P. S. C. E. quartet also rendered several selections. After the entertainment refreshments were served.

Letters from the People.

After the Assessors.

Mr. Editor:—How long will the voters continue to endure the present board of assessors, when it is clearly shown that their work is unsatisfactory? Why retain in office men who are incompetent, and who are a loadstone around the neck of the town? If better conditions are to prevail a change must be made, and any change will be an improvement to the present.

TAXPAYER.

Mr. Conroy's Position.

Editor Palmer Journal:—

Kindly give me the opportunity to state in the Journal my position in the coming town election. I am a candidate for selectman and for that office only. My business interests would not allow me to give proper time to any other office except that of selectman.

If elected selectman I shall appoint William Lawton for road commissioner. Furthermore, I shall work for the best interests of the town in every way.

I believe my opponents are gentlemen and our elections should be conducted in a respectable manner.

THOMAS J. CONROY.

Wants a Road, Not a Light.

Mr. Editor:—In the town warrant article 29 is to see if an arc light will be placed on the common at Palmer Center. Now the fact is, we don't want an arc light. We had one which was a benefit to only one or two families, so we sent a petition, generally signed, to the selectmen and had it replaced by five small lights, distributed from the common to the station, where they give great satisfaction to all who are obliged to be out at night. Therefore we do not want an arc light. But a sidewalk is the thing badly needed here, or a boat, as the road is in a terrible condition; small Niagaras send their streams into the road, making it anything but pleasant. If we could swim or wear hip boots we might manage to get along, but unfortunately we can do neither. There is much travel over this piece of road, and it seems as if we might have a few of the good things we pay for and the other fellow has.

ONE WHO CAN'T SWIM.

Thinks Officials Should Obey Orders.

Editor of Palmer Journal:—

Though I have been a voter in Palmer many years I have never taken an active part in town politics, and this is my first attempt in expressing my views on town matters publicly. I notice that Tax Collector Hawkes has failed to publish in his report the names of the delinquent taxpayers as he was instructed to do by the vote of the town at the last annual meeting. This is not the first instance, either, of his refusal to obey the expressed will of the voters of the town. How long would any citizen of Palmer retain in his employ a man who refused to do as he had ordered him? The best interests of the employer would demand the immediate dismissal of the employe. Why should we, collectively, as a town, stand for that which we would not tolerate as individuals? Let us elect Mr. Woodhead, tax collector, and have a man whom I believe will consider himself a servant of the people and to do as directed, and not one immune from command or direction.

B. G. E.

Voters Should Choose the Best.

Editor of the Journal:—

Sympathy and personal friendship for a candidate ought not to influence our vote for him. In selecting town officials we should apply the same rules which are applied in all well regulated business enterprises. The town is nothing but a business corporation and its affairs must be looked after by the most competent men if we expect to have satisfactory results. In my judgment, no department of town administration requires greater ability on the part of those in charge than that presided over by the Overseers of the Poor. I submit that any fair-minded man who will compare the respective abilities of the candidates in nomination for this office will admit that Mr. E. W. Carpenter is far superior to Mr. A. A. Warriner. If any citizen of the town was obliged to have the work of this department done for himself and had the opportunity to select one of these two men, I believe that that citizen would unhesitatingly select Mr. Carpenter. This is an occasion when we should lay aside sympathy or personal friendship for candidate or family and vote to give the town the best ability and service.

S. F. D.

Concerning the Overseer of Poor.

Permit me, Mr. Editor, through the columns of your valuable paper, to address a few remarks to the voters of Palmer in favor of the candidacy of Mr. E. W. Carpenter for the office of Overseer of Poor.

I have only the most kindly feeling and highest respect for Mr. Warriner, his opponent. He is an honorable man and I do not believe that he would knowingly do a wrong in the performance of his official duties.

But we must bear in mind that this is an age of young men. It is a strenuous age, and for the proper discharge of public duties we must put forth the best we have. It is a plain business proposition to secure the best possible service in our public affairs. We should not sacrifice the best interests of the town because of idle sentiment and pity, but we should act in electing our public officials in the same manner as we would in employing men in our own private business, and get the best that is obtainable, and more especially when we can do so at no greater expense than it costs to employ those who are manifestly incompetent.

Mr. Warriner has, in my opinion, been a good public official in his day and generation, but he has seen his best days and has earned an honorable discharge. Mr. Carpenter, on the other hand, is young and active, alert and capable. He is at the age to absorb knowledge and develop ideas and put them in practice. He is in every way fitted for the office, and his election would give us the best board of overseers that could be desired.

VOTER.

Thorndike, March 15th, 1905.

Regarding the Tax Collectorship.

Isn't it about time, Mr. Editor, that the voters of Palmer waked up and elected a tax collector that would pay some attention to what the instructions given in town meeting mean? The voters, by a unanimous vote, told the tax collector several times what they wanted and he refuses to pay any attention to what they say or do. They told him to collect the taxes and have them all paid to the treasurer last May; he refused to do it. He was told to print the names of those that owed taxes in the town report; he refuses to do this. I have to pay my taxes on my property and I don't see why other folks can get out of it.

If you had a man working for you, and you gave him orders what to do, and every time he refused to obey and did just as he had a mind to, what would you do to such a man? You certainly would discharge him and get some man that knew his place and did what you wanted him to do. That is just what the people ought to do about the tax collector. They are paying him to do their work as they want to have it done, and not as he feels like doing it. He is a public servant and is not supposed to know more than all the rest of the town put together, even though he does make such pretentions by his actions.

Let us get together and elect Mr. Woodhead tax collector. He is a good citizen and an upright man that will do as the voters tell him. We have had enough of Mr. Hawkes, and he has already had the office too long. Some men think that they own an office after they have had it a while, and this seems to be the matter with Mr. Hawkes. We ought to show him that the people own the office and that they employ men to run it who are deserving and faithful.

TAXPAYER.

Mr. Brainerd's Reply to Criticism.

Editor of the Journal:—

I hear a rumor of a criticism of the care of the highways for the past year that is to appear in the Journal of to-day, and as there will be no time to answer it before election I have thought it best to make this statement relative to my work. With an appropriation of $5000 we have about $30 per mile for maintenance, besides the general repair of highways. I have built about 2000 feet of gravel macadam by use of the crushing plant borrowed from Monson. This work was done in Palmer on Park and Pleasant streets, two of the worst sections of highway in the village, and in Thorndike on the hill near the post office, across the bridges, and at the foot of Cemetery Hill. There has also been made a permanent improvement at Three Rivers from the bridge to the foot of the hill near the old hotel, about 1000 feet. I believe this work meets with the approval of all who have seen it and if this plan—namely, doing a little work in the nature of permanent improvement each year—is continued, in a few years we will have something to show for the money laid out on our highways. The other sections of highways are in as good a condition as they have been for years. There has been no bill presented to the town for damages upon the highways within the past year.

The work done by the superintendent is under the supervision of the selectmen, and whoever he may be it is an impossibility to suit everyone. Nearly all the macadam done by the town has been under my direction, and I think it will compare favorably with work of the same kind and cost in any town of the state. In the repairs of the highways I have tried to bring about the best results practicable with the money at hand. If I have failed, the error has been one of judgment.

CHAS. T. BRAINERD,
Supt. of Highways.

Selectman Brainerd Under Fire.

Mr. Editor:—Learning through the columns of your progressive paper that this week you would extend a special welcome to communications regarding town affairs, I am moved to submit the following: It is my opinion that we should elect to the office of selectmen only the best candidates that are presented, and that in making the selection we should be moved by only the highest motives to benefit the town, and should leave out entirely personal considerations.

It is only fair to insist that a candidate for selectman should measure up to the following requirements: A man who shall promote the best interests of the town, and insist that all others shall do the same; a man who will not impose upon the town or allow others to impose upon it; and a man who will not neglect his duty or allow others to be negligent. It is my purpose to show that Charles T. Brainerd does not satisfy the requirements, and therefore he ought no longer to be entrusted with official power and authority.

1. Has he promoted the best interests of the town? He has antagonized one of our thriving industries that it is manifestly the desire of the voters to encourage—the Wright Wire Company. He has refused to treat the concern even with decent respect, in spite of the fact that it distributes annually in the town in the form of wages paid over $80,000, and pays a tax of $646. Letters written to Mr. Brainerd as selectman in which the Wright Wire Company requested that a piece of highway be put in a safe condition for heavy teaming, and in which there was also an offer to share a part of the work, were not even answered! In view of the fact that all towns are making efforts to invite new industries to locate within their borders, such treatment of a progressive industry already here ought to be resented at the polls next Monday.

2. Has he imposed upon the town and allowed others to do likewise? Look at the highways in the Depot village. Look at the sidewalks in the same locality. Look at the holes in the walks even on our Main street. What has become of nearly $5000 that was expended? The town certainly has been imposed upon. Have others been permitted to impose upon the town? Look at the conditions that have resulted from the burrowings of the Palmer Water Company. In fact, has anybody ever been interfered with that tried to impose on the town during the administration of Mr. Brainerd?

3. Has he been negligent? His record in office shows that it has cost the town many dollars for his negligence alone. The list includes a part of the verdict of the Springfield Construction Co., where it was brought out at the trial that Mr. Brainerd had been negligent. It was also due to Mr. Brainerd's negligence that Patrick Murphy was paid $200 in 1902 and a doctor's bill of $15 charged up to the same account. Look over the town reports during the years of Mr. Brainerd's official career, and the extent of his negligence and its cost to the town ought to satisfy any voter that his dismissal from public service is long past due.

With other candidates on the ticket, the voters ought to have no difficulty in choosing a successor to Mr. Brainerd, one who will promote the best interests of the town, prevent the town from being imposed upon and be careful and diligent in administering the duties entrusted to his charge.

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In Bondsville, 15th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Cavin.

DIED.

In Monson, 16th, Ethel S. Reynolds, 27, wife of Edward W. Emery of Westboro.

In Wilbraham, 11th, William H. Kellogg, 67.

In West Warren, 14th, Mrs. Julia Bennett, 44, wife of Henry Bennett.

In Warren, 13th, Mrs. Mary Nevins, 80.

In Ware, 10th, Alphonse Dauserean, 66.

In Ware, 11th, William Bonnover, 27.

In Belchertown, 9th, Mrs. Edward A. Randall, 44.

In Jewett City, Ct., 13th, Thomas Morrison, formerly of Thorndike.

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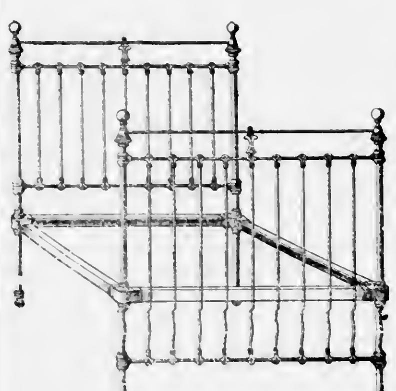

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LOCAL NOTICES.

The New York Millinery Store, with a full line of spring millinery, will open in the Feeney block in Palmer, March 27 under the management of Miss Lila B. Collis.

SPRING POLITICS.

The Situation as Viewed by a Springfield Union Representative.

With the near approach to the annual town election it is only natural that the political field should begin to receive a harrowing, and something in that line has been in process for the past two weeks. The usual talk of candidates has been indulged in, and the usual criticism of town officials has not been lacking. A few weeks ago the correspondent of the Springfield Union had an innocent hens-at-the-town-farm item which struck the city editor as perhaps worth following up, and he sent a man out to investigate; result, an article which he had to "hedge" on a few days later Notwithstanding his first experience the Union man has been in town again this week on political matters bent, and the result was the following in Wednesday morning's Union:

Livelier than any town contest for many years will be the campaign this spring. The management of town business and the profits which accrue therefrom are centralized here to an unusual extent, and there is a growing belief that it is bad policy for a few men to control so many interests.

O. C. McCray, Ralph Clifford and J. P. Herlihy constitute the boards of selectmen, health and overseers of the poor and Mr. McCray is superintendent of streets. Mr. Clifford is a coal dealer and fills most of the contracts at the disposal of these departments, while Mr. McCray deals in wood, and supplies the town farm in the same way. Both McCray and Clifford do a trucking business and keep three or four heavy teams apiece, which they employ on the highways. Mr. Clifford is a horse trader and Mr. McCray a cattle buyer, and therefore one or the other usually assists the warden in the selection of stock for the town farm, and it not infrequently happens that when Warden Carew requires a horse or a cow, Mr. Clifford or Mr. McCray has one that he can spare just as well as not.

Mr. McCray has held office eight years continuously and Mr. Clifford about the same length of time at different intervals, so, considering everything, it is no surprise that their places are contested. Both Clifford and McCray are Republicans. Their associate, J. P Herlihy, is a Democrat, and has been in office two years.

The Democrats will nominate a full ticket and the campaign will be more or less on party lines. There will be a hot contest in the Republican caucus. Four candidates are already in the race for nominations as selectmen, W. H. Anderson and Samuel Closson running against the Republicans in the present board. Mr. Anderson was nominated last year, and ran only a few votes behind Mr. Herlihy.

Mr. McCray is chairman of selectmen and Mr. Clifford is clerk. Mr. Herlihy is chairman of the overseers of the poor and the board of health. Their compensation as town officials is about $275 apiece.

The town report for last year shows that bills amounting to $1770 were paid to Mr. Clifford, while bills for $816 were paid to Mr. McCray.

One of the chief sources of complaint concerns the highways. According to the revised laws, at least two-thirds of the money appropriated for repairs on highways shall be expended before the first day of July, after it is appropriated, or "at such other time as the town may determine." Those who criticise present methods assert that it is the plain intent of the law that the money for highways shall be expended as above stated, unless the voters decide some other way in town meeting.

It is asserted that the highways suffer and the public is inconvenienced because so much of the work is done late in the fall. A particular case cited is that of a strip of macadam road, commenced in the edge of winter and left unfinished until the next year.

The town officers are also criticised because they do not keep a better system of accounts and make a more detailed statement in the annual town report.

The selectmen say that they cannot see why their bookkeeping is not all right, and that they can show vouchers for every cent expended in the last nine years.

Regarding the macadam road, upon which work was begun late in the year, it is said, in reply to criticism, that the work was hindered by delay in receiving a stone crusher which the selectmen had ordered.

"These criticisms should not be treated too seriously," said a prominent citizen, "for they are inspired largely by jealous office-seekers. It is true that Clifford and McCray do a good deal of work on the highways, but they have good teams, and why shouldn't they work them? Then both have telephones and of course it comes handy to ask them for supplies. Mr. McCray keeps a stock of nice, dry wood, which is just what is needed in families under the oversight of the pauper department. And when he learns of a bridge that is out of repair and has the planks that are necessary to put it in shape, why shouldn't he go ahead and repair it without any delay?"

Young Ladies' Minstrel.

There is every indication of a large audience in Memorial Hall next Monday evening, when the young ladies of St. Patrick's church will present a minstrel show. There has been a good sale of tickets, which can be procured at Hughes' shoe store and at W. N. Flynt & Son's. The young ladies have been drilled by Thomas Watterson and Prof. Kelley of Holyoke. The program follows:

INTERLOCUTOR—Joana V. Cantwell.

BONES.	TAMBOS.
Alicia Gough	Leonora Looney
Ella Crowley	Margaret Joyce
Anna Fitzgerald	Ella Doyle
SOLOISTS.	
Maria Leahy	Mary McKenna
Laura Johnston	Nora McGuire

Opening Overture. Medley.
"I Want to be a Soldier."
"What the Brass Band Played."
"Come Take a Trip in My Airship."
"Yankee Doodle Boy."
"Coax Me."
"Good-bye, My Lady Love."
Finale—Bones and Tambos.

Part I.

End Song. "Shame on You." Margaret Joyce
Ballad. "When the Sunset Turns the Ocean's Blue to Gold" Maria Leahy
End Song. "Here's my Friend." Ella Crowley
Ballad. "There's Nobody Just Like You." Mary McKenna
End Song. "Everywhere." Leonora Looney
Ballad. "Sweet Adaline." Laura Johnston
End Song. "Gone, gone, gone." Anna Fitzgerald
Ballad. "It Don't Seem Like Home to Me." Nora McGuire
Grand Finale. "For Old Virginia's Sake." Company

Part II.

"Lindy Lou." Soloist, Margaret Kearns
Irish Jig Moffatt Sisters
Sailors' Hornpipe.
Bessie Leahy, Marguerite Fox,
Jennie McKenna, Mary Hynes.
Duet. "Dreaming You Love Me Yet." Mary McKenna, Laura Johnston.
"Alexander." Soloist, Florence Sault
Tambourine Dance.
"Back to Baltimore." Coon Dancing and Buck Dancing. Moffatt Sisters
Closing Song, with Drill.

Nora McGuire	Margaret Joyce
Bridget Lockwood	Annie Crowley
Annie Moran	Mary McQuaid
Mary Moran	Annie Joyce
Margaret Doyle	Katherine Dillon
Katharine Connell	Elizabeth Foley
Rose Kearns	Margaret Looney
Leonora Looney	Bernice Royce

Town Politics.

Politics and the coming town meeting are the chief topics of conversation at the present time, and there seems to be rather more than the usual interest this year. For town clerk, treasurer and tax collector there will probably be no contest. For selectmen and overseers of the poor the indications are that there will be a number of new candidates, and a warm time is assured at the caucuses. Besides the present board, who will probably all be candidates for reëlection, other candidates mentioned are Samuel Closson, C. A. Sweet, Charles C. Keep, W. H. Anderson and Herbert M. Smith. Mr. Anderson was a candidate last year, and was beaten by a few votes, and he will be a strong candidate this year. Mr. Smith has been on the board before, and has always proved very popular. Charles C. Keep served the town efficiently in other capacities and should prove another strong candidate. Mr. Sweet has many friends who think he would make a capital man for selectman and if he received the nomination would run well. Mr. Closson has been a candidate several times before, but has never been successful. With this array of candidates, a hot time is expected at the caucuses. For assessors F. Q. Ball, J. E. Rindge and E. R. Sissons are candidates for reëlection, while among the new candidates mentioned are A. A. Babbitt, E. S. Howlett and H. M. Sutcliffe. There are two vacancies on the school board, the terms of Dr. J. P. Rand and M. F. Moore having expired. Dr. Rand has moved to Worcester and M F. Moore states that he is not a candidate for reëlection. If he does not run again, two new men will have to be secured, and so far as can be learned, there are no candidates in the field yet, but several may come forward before the caucuses, which will be held Thursday and Friday nights of next week.

Academy Notes.

Miss Moore, '05, is again able to attend school.

The class of 1906 are planning to purchase class caps.

The mock trial given by the Lino society will take place this evening at 7.

Briggs, '06, and Potwine, '05, have returned to school after a short vacation.

School closed at 3 Tuesday afternoon to allow the students to attend the lecture on the "Passion Play."

The Cushman Hall basketball team was beaten last night by the team composed of the town students Score, 32 to 19.

There will be a basketball game at the gym to-morrow afternoon between a team composed of the Cushman Hall students and a team chosen from the town students.

The Philo Society will carry out the following program next Friday evening: Essay, Miss Crowley, Miss Marsh; recitation, Miss Rindge, Miss Sweet; music, Miss Cushman, Miss McKenna; selection by glee club; news items, Miss Park; debate, "Resolved that the proposed legislation in Massachusetts for the requirement of music for all graduates of high schools is advisable;" affirmative, Miss Gough; negative, Miss Connell.

Death of Mrs. Edward Emery.

Ethel S. Reynolds, 27, wife of Edward Emery of Westboro, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reynolds, in South Monson, at five o'clock yesterday morning, after an illness of over a year with consumption. Mrs. Emery was born in Westboro and, with the exception of seven years' residence in Stamford, Ct., had always lived in the former place. Of an unusually cheerful disposition, she bore her long illness with great fortitude, and was a devoted wife and mother. Her death seems unusually sad as she leaves two small children of five and eight years. She also leaves, besides her parents, a husband, Edward W. Emery of Westboro, and one sister, Miss Vivian Reynolds of Monson. The funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. N. M. Pratt officiating, and burial will be in the No. 1 cemetery.

Water Commissioners' Report.

The report of the water commissioners for the year ending March 1st shows a prosperous year. The main on State street has been extended for some distance and 25 new servcies put in, making the total number of sevices 279.

Balance on hand March 1st, 1904,	$ 106 51
Received from water rents,	3,774 27
Service pipe laying,	365 13
Material, repairs and labor,	225 31
	$4,471 23
Expenditures, including $1,000 for interest on water bonds,	$2,893.41
Balance on hand,	1,577.82
	$4,471.23

The indebtedness at the present time for the water system is $47,000.

Annual Meeting of Universalist Parish.

The annual meeting of the Universalist parish was held Monday evening in the church parlors, and the following officers were elected: Clerk, W. L. Ricketts; treasurer, George H. Seymour; parish committee, A. C. Page, A. D. Ellis, A. A. Babbitt, George A. Harvey, R. F. Bradway; music committee, A. D. Ellis, Mrs. W. L. Ricketts, Harrison Howe; auditors, G. W. Seymour, A. A. Babbitt; ushers, Howard Page, Bruno Krause, Howard Buffington, Frank Gath. The resignation of Rev. C. C. Conner was read and accepted, and the meeting was adjourned until the first Monday in April.

Farmers' Meeting.

The second of a series of farmers' meetings will be held in the Silver Street chapel next Tuesday. There will be two sessions In the morning Mr. S. H. Reed of West Brookfield will speak on "Cattle feeds and balanced rations," and the afternoon on "Selections of cattle for breeding and the dairy." Both lectures will be illustrated by charts and the use of blackboards. A lunch will be served at noon, and the public are cordially invited to attend this meeting and help make it a success.

Mr. Closson for Selectman.

Samuel Closson wishes the Journal to state that he will be a candidate for selectman in the Republican caucus, on a good roads platform. Mr. Closson avers that he has no personal interests to serve, and promises, if elected, to give a good honest administration so far as he is able. His occupation peculiarly fits him, he thinks, for road building, in addition to which he has made a special study of the subject. If his candidacy on this basis appeals to the voters he will be grateful for their support in the caucus.

E. R. Cooke spent Wednesday in Boston

Day Spring lodge of Masons met Tuesday night.

Peter Hayes of South Monson is ill at his home.

W. N. Flynt is spending a few days in New York city.

Mrs. G. C. Flynt has returned from a visit in Boston.

Miss Mary Leonard is visiting relatives at North Adams.

Miss Bessie Moulton is spending a few days in Worcester.

Mrs. Hull of Eastview farm has returned from a visit at Lowell.

Monson court of Foresters met in Workman hall last evening.

The public schools closed last Friday for a two-weeks' vacation.

Mrs. George Warner has returned from a business trip to Boston.

Miss Bessie Newton is visiting her parents at Woods Hole.

Miss Ethel Shaw spent Sunday with relatives in Springfield.

Miss Ella Darrah is spending a few days at her home at Dedham.

Dr. A. D. Coleman of Boston spent Sunday with friends in town.

James Coughlan has resigned his position at the Monson House.

Miss Frieda Rand of Mt. Holyoke College has been in town this week.

Omer E. Bradway is able to be out again after a several weeks' illness.

H. L. Hurley of Utica, N. Y., has been spending a few days in town.

Mrs. W. N. Flynt has been visiting relatives in Springfield this week.

Lewis Shepard's house at South Monson has been released from quarantine.

Rev. N. M. Pratt has returned from a several days' stay in New York city.

Miss Clara Burley has gone to her home in Sanford, Me, for a two-weeks' vacation.

Mrs. Edward Squier and Miss Lottie Squier are spending a few days in Worcester.

Miss Warner of Springfield is the guest of her sister, Mrs L. L. Gleason on East Hill.

The auditors were busy Wednesday auditing the town accounts of the past year.

The Fortnightly Club will meet Monday evening with Miss Julia Smith on Green street.

Mrs. Lyman Miller has returned from a visit with her son, Harry Miller at Worcester.

William Richardson has returned to his former position as clerk at the Monson House.

Several of the farmers from this town attended the farmers' institute at Palmer Tuesday.

Mrs. Chandler Fenton has returned from a visit with her son, Fred M. Fenton at Holyoke.

Samuel Chapman of Newton has been the guest of Mrs. Louise Chapman at Cushman Hall.

David McCray of Hampden spent Sunday with his son, O. C. McCray on Cushman street

Henry Johnston of York State has been visiting his grandson, Mr. Hull, at East View farm.

Mrs. Atwell Barlow of Greenwich is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Barlow on Pease avenue.

The King's Daughters will meet this evening with Mrs. E. E. Thompson on Lincoln street.

James McGuire of Sabattus, Me., is visiting his father, John McGuire on Cushman street.

Menzies Moulton of Rutland has been spending a few days with his brother, Daniel Moulton.

Charles Merrick, W. A. Squier and W. C. Moulton attended the automobile show at Boston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Morris are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Harold Ralph.

Patrick Herlihy of Meriden, Ct, has been the guest of her brother, J. P. Herlihy, this week.

Festus Cooley reports the finding of a hen's egg measuring 8½x6½ inches and weighing six ounces.

Miss Alice O'Toole of Worcester is the guest of her cousin, Miss Elizabeth Curley on North Main street.

Several people from here attended the lecture by Mme. Tslika at Stafford Springs, Ct., Tuesday evening.

"Righteous Judgment" will be the subject of the sermon at the Universalist church Sunday morning.

Miss Carrie Tucker of West Brookfield has been spending a week with her brother, R. D. Tucker on East Hill.

Mrs. Geo. H. Newton has returned from a several weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. A. E Fitch at Palmer.

A number of small rubber balls were stolen from the rear of F. S. Chapman's drug store Monday evening.

Mrs. Edith Williams has returned to her home in Boston after a few weeks' visit with relatives at State Line.

Mrs. W. S. Best of Brookline is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Squiers on Washington street.

The Academy closed early Tuesday afternoon to allow the students to attend the Passion Play in Memorial Hall.

Mrs. H. D. Vaille has been recently called to Westfield on account of the illness of her father, Mr. Kellogg.

One of the new pair of horses recently purchased at the town farm, which has been seriously ill, is reported better.

Miss Robbins of Wellesley, a former teacher at Monson Academy, has been spending a few days with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. David McCray have returned to their home at Hampden after spending a few days with their son, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. McCray.

Dr. George Moore of Palmer has recently performed successful operations on the throats of Gertrude and Naon Gaouette, children of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Gaouette.

The diocesan missionary of the Episcopal church has been obliged to postpone his proposed visit to Monson from next Sunday afternoon to a later date, which will be announced.

The Linophilian Society will hold a mock trial at their regular meeting this evening and have invited the Philo society to attend. This trial may be given to the public later in the season.

The subject of the sermon at the Congregational church Sunday morning will be "The Coming of Jesus." Rev. N. M. Pratt will preach in the Pease district schoolhouse at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

The Dorcas Society of the Congregational church will hold a supper and entertainment in the church parlors next Friday evening. Supper will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock, followed by the entertainment.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be "The Goal of Church Members." Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S C. E. at 5; evening song service at 7, subject of the sermon "A Call to You."

Another of the popular old-fashioned quilting parties was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Craws on East Hill Saturday afternoon and evening and was a very enjoyable occasion. A salad supper was served.

The Current Events Club met this afternoon with Miss Hattie Cushman on Main street. The program was in charge of Mrs. L. C. Flynt. The meeting next week will be with Mrs. L. C. Flynt; subject, "Current Events."

An address on "Educational Work among the Mountaineers of Georgia" will be given by Henry C. Newell, dean of Piedmont College at Demorest, Ga., at the Congregational church Sunday evening at 7 45 o'clock.

The annual meeting of the Quaboag Country Club will be held at the clubhouse next Wednesday evening. After the business meeting there will be informal whist, and a large attendance of members of the club is requested.

The Century Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. H. F. Miller. The meeting next Tuesday will be with Mrs. M. C. Howe, and the program will be in charge of Mrs. F. E. Fairbank, Mrs R. H. Cushman and Mrs. F. S. Homer.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Methodist church will serve a bean supper in the church vestry next Friday evening. Supper will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock, followed by a social and entertainment at 8 Everyone is cordially invited.

The annual prize speaking contest held in Memorial Hall last Friday night was largely attended. The winners of the first prizes were Miss Ruth Flynt and F. J. L. McQuaid and of the two second prizes Miss Lucy Horton and H. L Oldfield.

The registrars of voters were in session in Memorial Hall last evening from 7.30 to 9 o'clock and will meet again Tuesday evening from 7.30 to 9 o'clock; Saturday, the 25th, from 12 o'clock noon until 10 o'clock p. m., at which time registration will cease.

The following scholars of the State Line school have been perfect in attendance during the winter term: Clara Meurisse, Lena Possardt, Rosetta Gove, Sophie Meurisse, Irene Randall, Leonard Meurisse, Nora Boyington, Jessie Newton, Julia Meurisse.

Day Spring lodge of Masons will hold a ladies' night in their rooms in the bank block Tuesday evening. There will be whist and a musical entertainment. All Masons and ladies whether members of the local lodge or not, are cordially invited. The committee in charge are C. M. Gage, F. L. Bliss and George H. Seymour.

The Green Street Whist Club held their final meeting of the season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chapman on Green street Monday evening. A lunch was served during the evening. It was called a shamrock party, the decorations being of that nature. The dining room was prettily decorated in green and white. Favors were given to each one present The prizes at whist were won by Mrs E. E. Thompson and W. A. Squier.

Arthur Washington, the wonderful blind pianist, will give a piano recital in Memorial Hall Monday evening, March 27, at 8 o'clock. This talented young man in competition with more than fifty others won the free piano scholarship offered by the Hartford Conservatory of Music two years ago. Since then he has made most remarkable progress, and at his first recital in Hartford last month scored a veritable triumph before a large and critical audience. In addition to Mr. Washington there will be a lady soloist from New York, also Prof. W. V. Abell, director of the Hartford Conservatory of the Music and the Springfield School of Music. Tickets may be secured from the members of the Epworth League of the Methodist church. All tickets will be checked off on and after 12 o'clock noon at Bradway's news room next Friday.

Dr. Wilfred Grenfel, the missionary on the coast of Labrador of whom Norman Duncan has spoken recently in Harper's magazine as "at once the bravest and most beneficently useful man I have ever known," will speak in the Academy chapel Monday afternoon at 1 30 The public is cordially invited. Dr. Grenfel, who is an Englishman, well born, athletic, adventurous and a thorough lover of the sea, went to Labrador 13 years ago and has since been engaged in a wonderful missionary work. He has established three hospitals along the coast, in which all told about 2500 cases, about half of which are surgical, are cared for each year. Of his work in Labrador Dr. Duncan says, "In the face of hardship, peril and prejudice, he has, with a light heart, and a strong purpose, healed the sick, preached the Word, clothed the naked, fed the starving, given shelter to them that had no roof, championed the wronged—in all, devotedly fought evil, poverty, oppression and disease; for he is bitterly intolerant of these things."

BONDSVILLE.

Do your duty on election day, and vote for Twiss, Lawton and Summers for selectmen. They stand for fair play.

The New York Millinery Store will open in the Feeney block, Palmer, March 27, under the management of Miss Lila B. Collis, with a full line of spring millinery.

Quarterly Conference of M. E. Church.

The fourth quarterly conference of the M. E. church was held at the parsonage last Friday evening. Rev. W. G. Richardson of Springfield, presiding elder of this district, presided. The following officers and committees were chosen: Trustees, L E. Bixby, E E. Ryther, O. A. Parent, C. H. Collis, H. M. Ives, Warren M. Fisherdick, Elmer G. Childs, Rufus L Bond and Charles D Holden; stewards, L. E Bixby, Edwin E. Ryther, Mrs. Georgianna Ryther, O. A. Parent, Mrs. A. E. Parent, Charles H. Collis, H. M Ives and Warren M. Fisherdick: committee on Sunday school, Edwin E. Ryther, Warren M. Fisherdick, Charles H. Collis, Mrs. Alice McFarlane, Mrs. Ora Shumway and George W. Adams; *parsonage and furniture committee*, Mrs. Alice Childs, Mrs. O A. Parent and Edwin E. Ryther; church music committee, Dr. Homer A. Smith, Edwin E. Ryther and Warren M. Fisherdick. The reports of the various committees showed a prosperous year and also a substantial increase in membership. A unanimous vote was cast to request the presiding elder to secure the return of Rev. L. L. Beeman for another year.

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Old Newspapers.

Considerable interest has been manifested in this village in regard to copies of old newspapers since the last issue of the Journal, which contained an item in reference to the 1835 issue of the Republican on exhibition in the window of one of the stores. Since then a paper 105 years old has been discovered. It is a copy of "The Ulster County Gazette," published in Kingston, N. Y, and is the property of Mrs. Marcus M. Culver. It contains an account of the funeral of General George Washington, which was held on the week of the publication of the paper. This paper is on exhibition in the window of C. L. Holden & Sons' store.

Edwin Lamb has secured a position in Chicopee Falls.

Charles H. Sharratt visited in Worcester the first of the week.

The schools of the village closed to-day for a week's vacation.

Miss Genevra Billings visited in Ludlow last Saturday and Sunday.

William T. Sullivan is to move his family to Holyoke next week.

Mr. and Mrs. A M. Billings will visit over Sunday in Chicopee Falls.

Michael Collins returned last Saturday from a trip to Washington, D. C.

Patrick L. Sullivan of Westfield spent Sunday with his father, Lawrence Sullivan.

Scott Merrifield of Springfield spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Rowland McFarlane.

Misses Edith and Grace Childs spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends in Lancaster.

Patrick Fitzgerald has secured a position with the Springfield and Eastern Street Railway Co

William T. Sullivan and Jerry P. Shea have severed their connections with the Boston Duck Co.

The King's Daughters Circle will hold a meeting next Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Gunn.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick T. Cavin are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son Wednesday morning.

A team of Bondsville bowlers has been picked, and will play the Three Rivers team on Tuft's alleys to-night.

The food sale held by the Ladies' Aid Society last Friday afternoon was well patronized, and as a result the ladies will clear over $20.

John Griffin, who is clerking in O. A. Parent's store, has resigned his position with the firm and will discontinue his duties about April 1st.

Miss Helen Farnsworth will spend the school vacation at her home in Lancaster, Miss Maud Connors in Holyoke and Miss Lucille Dunton in Melrose.

The Ladies' Aid Society held a meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Collis. The next meeting of the society will be held in the vestry of the M. E church.

F. S. Gordon, who has been spending the past week in Ausable Chasm, N. Y., has returned home. He was accompanied home by his wife, who has been visiting there for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. C L. Holden are to go with Superintendent Fuller's party on a tendays' trip to Washington, D. C, and start to-night for Springfield, where they will remain over night, starting for Washington to-morrow morning.

Mrs. L L Beeman and Mrs. Warren Fisherdick attended the quarterly meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Springfield district held in the Methodist church in Westfield Wednesday. Mrs. Beeman is president of this society.

BELCHERTOWN.

The annual ball of the fire department will be held this evening.

Miss Marian Bridgman is the guest of friends in Amherst.

The Holland Club will meet Monday evening with Mrs. Alice L. Kendall.

Edgar Lane and his son, Euler B. Lane, who have been spending the past winter in Jacksonville, Fla., have returned.

The school committee organized Tuesday evening with G H. B Greene chairman, and Mrs. M. D. S. Longley secretary. The following teachers were assigned: High school, C. L Juilkins, Miss Fisher; grammar, Miss Shaw; intermediate, Miss Bartlett; primary, Mrs. Ross; Franklin grammar, Miss Shea; primary, Miss Snow; Blue Meadow, Mrs Gutherlett; Cold Spring, Miss Fitzgerald; Lake Vale, Miss Randolph; Federal, Miss Looney; Union, Miss McEvilly; Liberty, Miss Sullivan; Washington, Miss Ward; West Hill, Miss Peeso. The Center schools will reopen on the 27th. and the district schools probably on April 3. Teachers for East Hill and Rockrimmon schools have not yet been appointed, and the Laurel school will not be reopened.

WARE.

Republican Caucus.

The Republican caucus was held Wednesday evening, with an attendance of 188 voters E. D. Howard acted as chairman and Peter King as clerk. These nominations were made: Selectmen, M. Francis Brown, Joseph Dumas Jr., H. O. Packard; town clerk and treasurer, Almer F. Richardson; assessors, Robert W. Cornish, Amable Gareau, Edward P. Morse; school committee for three years, John H. Schoonmaker; water commissioner for three years, H. P. Cummings; overseer of the poor for two years, John Osgood; tax collector, Frederick W. Farrar; board of health for three years, H. P. Cummings; auditors, Thomas G. Haley, Ernest Lefort; constables, John D Beauchemin, A. Myron Ramsdell, Bartholomew W. Buckley, Thomas H. Rennison; cemetery commissioner for three years, B. C. Hitchcock.

Miss Eva Brunelle is acting as organist in Mt. Carmel church during the illness of Mrs. A. J. Mailloux.

Henry E Fisher, an engineer, who has been in the employ of the Otis Company for about 12 years, has resigned his position and will go to Boston.

The Study Club met Wednesday evening with J. G. Lincoln Dr. G. A. Cummings acted as chairman and J. P. Wood read a paper on "Lucy Stone."

The firm of H. P. Cummings & Co. have received the contract for an important addition to the Worthy Hotel in Springfield. An addition of two extra stories will be built on the present building.

James M. Reilley and George Haley have been chosen delegates from Ware aerie of Eagles to attend a meeting of presidents and deputies of the order which is to be held in Worcester on the 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Granville Gilbert left Ware last Friday for a trip abroad. They sailed by the White Star line from Boston Saturday noon and will first go to Genoa. They will visit elsewhere on the continent of Europe and will be gone two or three months.

Alphonse E. Dansereau, 66, died at his home on Pleasant street last Friday morning after an illness of three months. He leaves a widow and three children. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 3 in Mt. Carmel church, and burial was in Mt. Carmel cemetery.

William Bonnover, 27, died Saturday night at his home on Prospect street after a long illness with consumption. He is survived by a father, one sister, Emma, and one brother, Alton Jr., all of Ware. The funeral was held Tuesday morning from Mt. Carmel church.

A meeting of the Young Men's Library Association was held last week and the following officers were elected: President, George E. Tucker; vice president, E. H. Gilbert; clerk, John Osgood; treasurer, George W. Dunham; directors for three years, H. K. Hyde and E. H. Gilbert; auditor, W. C. Eaton.

Miss Mabel Snow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Snow, and Leon Vaughn were married last week Thursday in New Braintree by Rev. W. W. Wakeman, pastor of the Congregational church. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn will reside in Ware, where Mr. Vaughn is employed as carpenter by the Otis company.

Postmaster P. R Bridgman has received a letter from the post office department authorizing the establishment of rural route No. 2 on Saturday, April 15. This route will extend northerly from Ware, including the families near Hardwick pond and then reaching almost to Greenwich Plains at Edson's corner, thence returning to the east of Brimston Hill and passing by the James Breckenridge place, arrive in Ware again by way of the trotting road. Four men, Edward Brosnahan, James Mowe, Lionel Grise and Daniel Buskey, took the examination for the carrier appointment in connection with this route. A list of eligible candidates among these four will be forwarded to Postmaster Bridgman, and the selection of one from the number will be made.

Champion Liniment for Rheumatism.

Charles Drake, a mail carrier at Chapinville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After trying several cures the storekeeper here recommended this remedy and it completely cured me." There is no use of anyone suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure. For sale by Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

TOWN OF PALMER.
TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—HAMPDEN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer, in said county. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places, in said Palmer, designated by the Selectmen, to wit: In Precinct A, at the Engine House on Park street in the Depot Village; in Precinct B, at Temperance Hall on Commercial street in Thorndike; in Precinct C, at Ruggles' Hall on East Main street in Three Rivers; and in Precinct D, at Holden's Old Store in Bondsville, on Monday, the 20th day of March, A. D. 1905, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the precinct officers of the several voting precincts of said town, for the following town officers, to wit: Three Selectmen, three Assessors, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, two Auditors, five Constables and three Fence Viewers, all for the term of one year; one Overseer of the Poor for three years, two members of the School Committee for three years, one member of the Board of Health for three years, and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; also to vote by ballot, which shall be Yes or No, in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls will be open at 6 o'clock in the forenoon and may be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House at Four Corners, in said Palmer, on Monday, the 27th day of March, A. D. 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose two or more Field Drivers, Measurers of Wood and Bark, and all other usual town officers.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to hire the present tramp room and lockup.

ART. 4. To act on the reports of the town officers.

ART. 5. To raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year, the same to be paid from said taxes.

ART. 7. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to borrow money not to be paid from the taxes of the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To hear and act on the reports of committees.

ART. 9. To choose committees and give them instructions.

ART. 10 To see if the town will allow a discount and determine what interest shall be paid on the taxes to be assessed for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To determine the manner and state the terms and conditions of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year, and fix the compensation of the collector of taxes.

ART. 12 To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

ART. 13 To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

ART. 14. To act on the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the Young Men's Library Association.

ART. 16. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools, and instruct the School Committee as to the manner of letting the contract for such conveyance.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise money for the celebration of Memorial Day.

ART. 18. To see what action the town will take in relation to sewers.

ART. 19. To see what action the town will take in regard to lighting the streets, and whether it will authorize the Selectmen to make contract therefor.

ART. 20. To see what action the town will take in reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees.

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the care and improvement of cemeteries.

ART. 22. To see what action the town will take in regard to sidewalks.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to maintain night police in the several villages, and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 24. To see what action the town will take relative to suits and claims now pending against the town.

ART. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for necessary aid to soldiers and sailors and their families, and the families of the slain, and entrust the same to L. L. Merrick Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, under the provisions of law.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in Park street in the Depot Village from its intersection with Walnut street to its intersection with Thorndike street and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART 27. To see if the town will vote to extend the sewer in South Main street in the Depot Village to a point opposite the car barn and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 28. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the erection of a hood, or other protection against water from the roof, over the door entering the Memorial Hall from Pleasant street, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to locate an arc electric light on the common at Palmer Center.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to construct a sidewalk from the car station near the Catholic cemetery to the common at Palmer Center and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 31. To see what action, if any, the town will take in reference to claims for labor, teams, and material in connection with the construction of the masonry for the Burleigh bridge as follows: Philip LaPlant, $13 50; Michael McKelligott, $41.25; John J. Daley, $4.00; John Connor, $16 62; Peter Wemette, $16.75; Edward Wemette, $17.25; W. E. Kenyon, $4 81; M. F. Bowler, $25.00; Michael St.John, $16.78; Michael Laford, $25 40; C. D. Holbrook Company, $23 80; J. F. Holbrook & Son, $16 51; a total of $221.67.

ART. 32. To see what action the town will take, if any, relative to the claim of Hamilton & King for labor and materials employed and furnished and for expenses paid and incurred in connection with the construction of the masonry for the Burleigh bridge.

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to enlarge the High School building and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 34. To see what action the town will take regarding the maintenance of evening schools.

ART. 35. To see if the town will vote to elect its Selectmen and Assessors in the manner authorized and provided in Section 339 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws.

ART 36 To see if the town will appoint a committee to investigate the sources of a water supply for the town, to collect facts and data and make surveys of routes for conduits and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 37. To see if the town will vote to pay the bills incurred by the committee appointed to investigate the needs of the town for high school accommodations and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 38. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 336 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws relative to the election of a highway surveyor.

ART. 39. To see if the town will vote to buy a portable stone crushing plant and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 40. To see if the town will vote to have the records of lay-out of highways and town ways, location of pole lines, and similar orders, indexed, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 41. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Revised Laws, Chapter 11, Section 335, relative to the election of the Town Clerk for the term of three years.

ART. 42. To see if the town will vote to locate an electric light at the corner of East and Pleasant streets in Bondsville.

ART. 43. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer extension in East street, Bondsville, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 44. To see if the town will accept and allow a town way as laid out by the Selectmen as follows: Beginning at a stone bound on the Westerly side and at the Southerly terminus of Grove street as laid out by the Selectmen in March, 1882, and running thence S. 18° 10' E. 190 feet to a stone bound on land formerly of E. G. Wood. The line described is the Westerly boundary line of the proposed street, the Easterly boundary line begins at a point bearing N. 59° E. and forty-nine and one half (49½) feet distant from the stone bound first mentioned and from this point the street gradually narrows to 30 feet in width at its Southerly terminus.

ART. 45. To see if the town will vote to permit the Roman Catholic Society of St. Anne's Church to make burials in its cemetery on the highway leading from Three Rivers to Thorndike nearer than 10 rods from said highway, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the different public places designated by the vote of the town, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting, and cause this warrant to be printed in the Palmer Journal at least two issues before holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the town clerk, on or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 9th day of March, A. D. 1905.

JOHN F. TWISS,
CHAS. T. BRAINERD,
WILLIAM LAWTON, } Selectmen of Palmer

Every one interested in the labor question and its various phases should read the story of "Citizen" Kershaw, Fall River's lone fighter, whose battles with labor organizations have made him a celebrated character. Citizen Kershaw is a well known figure at the State House, and the account of his moves from one mill town to another, and of his imprisonment for a principle make a story of unusual interest and force. This, together with another article on the personalties and careers of Hill and Harriman, rivals, and principals in the greatest railway fight of the age, and the story of Jewett, the Lawrence financier, who edits his newspaper from prison, will be found in the Magazine Section of The Boston Sunday Herald of March 19.

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These come in all the wanted colors.

At $1.00

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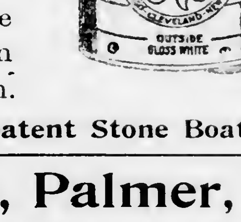

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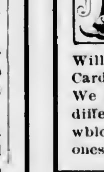

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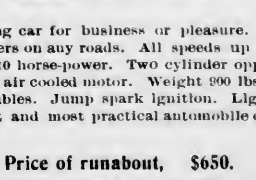

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"My husband is the most extravagant man," wailed little Mrs. Bargainhunt. "Yes?" said the sympathetic friend. "Yes. He paid $2 for a hat, when by looking around for a day or two he could probably have gotten one for $1.98"—Pittsburg Post.

To Grabby—"Some of the yonng girls nowadays," said Miss Ann Teek, "are positively terrible. The idea of a girl being engaged to two men at once! It's shameful!" "And," suggested Miss Peppery, "it's aggravating, too, isn't it."—Philadelphia Press.

"How do you like my new low-neck dress?" asked the Chicago society lady, as she came into the presence of her husband, just before going out to dinner. "It's all to the good, dear," replied the man of affairs, "bnt where on earth are you going to tuck your napkin?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Hattie—"Clara is very happy, is she not?" Annie—"Oh, I suppose so, but she says her husband has mistaken his calling." Hattie—"Yes?" Annie—"A man who can tell such wonderful stories as he does when he has been out late at night ought, she says, to have been a novelist."

An Irishman was telling a friend just over what a wonderful place America was and how rapidly one might rise in fame and honor here. "When Oi came here," said he, "the childer called me 'Ould Pat Hooley.' Soon I become a policeman and ivery wan said, 'Mr. Hooley' in addressing me. Nixt year I ran for office, and was referred to in spaches as 'Misther Patrick Hooley, our fellow townsman.' Thin I was elected mayor and was known as the 'Hon P. H. Hooley,' but aven I was overcome when wan Sunday mornin' I passed a church and heard the choir singing 'Hooley! Hooley! Hooley! Lord God Almighty!' I tell ye, Mike, it's a great conntbry entirely."

ENLIGHTENING WENTWORTH

By Keith Gordon

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It was with some misgivings that Wentworth took the third floor of Mrs. Manice's house. Had she not told him that she was almost an invalid? And when the mistress of a house is an invalid! He had half a mind to go back and tell her that he had reconsidered; that he feared, after all, that the rooms wouldn't do. He slackened his pace, turned, then went on. Perhaps things would be all right, but a fellow did so hate household discomfort.

On the second morning after his arrival, when he sat like a bewildered monarch among a piled up, shapeless mass of books, pictures, tables and chairs—wondering why under heaven he had ever acquired them—there came a knock at his door. At the moment he was perched upon a stepladder, smoking a short pipe and taking a rest before he fatigued himself by beginning to arrange things.

"Come in!" he roared, without moving, expecting to see a servant. Then, at a slight hesitation on the part of the person—a hesitation that he felt rather than saw—he turned toward the door.

"Oh! Ah! I beg your pardon!" he apologized with alacrity, laying down his pipe and jumping from his perch. "You see I'm a bit floored. I'm"—

He paused rather helplessly, waiting for his caller to explain herself, though he felt vaguely that she was welcome, thought she had dropped from the clouds, so frank was her gaze, so fascinating the way the thick hair rippled away from the low, broad forehead, so utterly womanly her face.

"Mamma sent me," she explained. "I'm Miss Manice, and she thought perhaps the maid and I might be able to help you out."

She looked about the room inquiringly; then, as her eyes came back to the new lodger's blank, helpless face, she caught her lower lip between her teeth, thus holding back the smile that struggled to escape.

"Have you ever moved?" he asked ruefully, surveying his helter skelter possessions with fresh aversion, and at the question she laughed out a laugh so girlish and infectious that Wentworth laughed, too, catching for a moment the point of view from which his dilemma was funny.

"What the world needs," he went on plaintively, "is automatic, self arranging furniture—furniture that, placed in the room, will adjust itself and save its owner all trouble."

"That's what we will have when the millennium comes," answered Miss Manice gayly, "but meanwhile, if you really loathe the task of arranging your things and will leave it to me"—

She paused questioningly, while Wentworth gazed at her very much as if she were the straw and he the drowning man. Again her face dimpled.

"You wouldn't—not really?" doubted he, with the shamefaced air of a person who has taken a palpable jest in earnest.

"I'd just love it—that is, if you think I can arrange the room to suit you. You might give me a general idea of how you like things, and"—

Wentworth cut her short.

"If you can give it something of the look of that little drawing room of yours," he said warmly, "I shall be more than satisfied. The fact is, you have saved my life," he finished candidly.

"Wait until you see the rooms," she cautioned as they parted, he to go to his office with a burden off his shoulders and she to confide to her mother as she got into a great apron that covered her from neck to ankles.

"He seems a nice, grateful lodger man, mother mine. Perhaps it won't *be so hideous to have a stranger in the* house after all. And think of the money!"

When Wentworth opened the door of his sitting room that evening quick approval flashed into his eyes. All the inanimate objects that had huddled together so incongruously in the morning, as if there wasn't an ounce of self respect among them, now faced him with serene dignity, once more clothed in the beauty for which he had bought them.

Awestruck at such insight, he passed into his bedroom, half fearing that here the charm would be broken, that convenience would have been sacrificed to "looks" and that he would have to dive into a pocket nailed to the closet door for one slipper and then dive again for the other. At the sight of them standing openly and demurely beside the fireplace Wentworth voiced the highest praise to be spoken of woman.

"Bless her heart!" he said softly. "She ought to be a bachelor's wife!"

During the three months that followed this conviction grew more and more fervent. His admiration for the skill with which Ethel Manice (at other times a merry, companionable girl) ran the household, reducing friction to the minimum, making life a continual joy, grew into a sort of religion to him.

And it was something of this sort that he said to her one night, scarce knowing that he was saying it and adding to it a humble request that she marry him.

She looked at him oddly for a moment. Then she laid her hand upon his arm and said half kindly, half mockingly:

"What you want is a housekeeper, Mr. Wentworth, not a wife." Then, a little more earnestly, "Please let us—not remember." And Wentworth, feeling more uncomfited than he cared to admit to himself, did his best to obey her.

After this life flowed smoothly on for another six months, the ripples closing over the night when Wentworth was rejected and leaving no sign.

It seemed sometimes as if his latchkey admitted him to another world where all was order, simple beauty and good will, where every hour made him stronger and better. Little by little he had become a part of the small family, often making a third in their cozy drawing room—sometimes talking, sometimes reading and again scolding or advising Ethel with the freedom of a big brother.

His appreciation of the delightful homliness and ease led him into his second blunder. It was a blustering night in November. On her couch Mrs. Manice, who had been less well than usual, lay sleeping, while Ethel, who had been playing Schubert with dreamy unconsciousness, wandered off into some improvisations of her own.

Presently Wentworth laid down the book that he was reading with an almost suffocating sense of the dearness of it all. Then suddenly Ethel stopped playing and rose from the piano. The action seemed significant. Wentworth was jarred by the thought that just as abruptly might the slender thread by which he held this utterly delightful home be snapped. Mrs. Manice might grow worse; Ethel might—

He gave a sharp sigh. He would not suffer the thought, and again from the fullness of his heart he spoke.

"Ethel," he pleaded, "is it so impossible? I can't tell you what all this is to me. How could I ever get along without you?"

But again he was stopped by that odd, impenetrable glance. Again with a smile, half kind, half mocking, she looked up at him and answered, "You want a companion, not a wife." Again they gravely agreed not to remember.

And soon after the illness of a married sister called her away. The weeks came and went, and her stay prolonged itself dismally, it seemed to Wentworth, though under Mrs. Manice's direction things went on as smoothly as usual. Apparently everything was the same, and yet he smarted under an intolerable sense of difference. All the creature comforts were there and pleasant companionship, yet the soul of things had fled. And then suddenly he understood, and the knowledge made him strong and humble.

It was on the evening of Ethel's return that he found himself alone with her for a few moments.

"Dear little girl," he said brokenly, "I'm not asking you to marry me. I'm not mad enough to do that again. But I want to tell you this—that I love you with my whole heart; that I shall always love you; that I would rather have loved you in vain than"—

Two slender arms were about his neck, and a soft voice was saying:

"At last, you dawling, I really believe that you want a wife."

A Willful Genius.

Malibran, the singer, was an artist who deserved her success, for her greatest triumphs came from the hardest work. Her voice was not a miracle of nature. It was gold, says one of her biographers, but it was gold that had to be dug from the earth, smelted and made pliable under the hammer. One day she was overheard at her practicing in gusts of angry apostrophe.

"I'll see whether I cannot make you obey me," she was saying to her voice. "I'll see whether you will obey me."

For her the word "impossible" did not exist. If her voice was out of order or her throat refused to obey she accomplished amazing effects by sheer force of will. Perhaps it was fortunate that her career was not a long one. No human powers could have endured the strain she placed habitually upon this gift of hers.

One day she executed a shake upon the highest notes of her register. She laughed then at the amazement of her listeners.

"That brute of a note has given me no end of trouble," said she. "I have been trying to get it for the last month. I tried it while dressing and while I was doing my hair. I tried it when I was taking my walks and while I was riding. At last I got hold of it this morning while I was tying my shoestrings."

"And where did you find it, madame?"

"There!" she answered, laughing and putting her finger to her forehead.

An Exclusive Affair.

"It was settled some time ago that he was to marry my daughter," said the father of a girl of the period, "but it yet remained for the young man to get my consent. It was merely a formality, however, as my girl had arranged matters to suit herself without consulting me or my wishes.

"Now, I remembered with what trepidation I had approached my wife's father when I asked him for her hand, and I made up my mind that when that young man showed up to ask me for my daughter's hand I would have revenge not only for what I had to pass through when I urged my suit, but also for being relegated to the background during the present proceedings.

"Well, he called at my office the other day, and I told my office boy to admit him and leave us alone and see that we were not disturbed.

"'Just dropped in,' said he easily, declining to take a seat, 'to tell you that I am going to marry your daughter on the 15th of next month. It will be an informal affair, so you may consider yourself invited without further notice. Good day.'

"Before I could catch my breath he was gone, and when I complained to my daughter about his treatment of me all the comfort I got was that I could consider myself fortunate in getting an invitation, as it was to be a very exclusive affair."

Her First Stage Speech.

It was at the mature age of three that Mrs. Kendal—then Madge Robertson—made her first appearance on the stage. The theater was the Marylebone, in London, then under the management of her father, and the play was "The Seven Poor Travelers." Her part was that of a blind child, and at the rehearsals it had been impressed upon her that she must keep her eyes shut in order that the audience should think she could not see. "Under the circumstances," says a writer, "it need hardly be said that the first thing she did on going on the stage was to open her eyes as widely as she could. Sitting in the front row of the pit, which then corresponded to the boxes, 'Baby Madge' saw a favorite servant who had been allowed to go to the theater in order to witness her debut. For the part the child had been provided with new shoes. Proud of their possession and with supreme disregard for the eternal fitness of things, the little girl stalked down to the footlights and, addressing the servant, said, 'Sarah, look at my new shoes!'"

A Friend of Washington.

While many persons have known Lincoln and Grant and a few were acquainted with Washington and Lincoln, so far as I am aware but one person was ever born into this world who knew the triumvirate of uncrowned American kings. That individual was Horace Binney, leader of the Philadelphia bar and among the foremost leaders of the profession throughout the land, with whom I spent a memorable hour in the year 1874. During that delightful interview he stated that when a youth his home was near President Washington's Philadelphia residence, that he had met him almost daily for several years and that he frequently held conversations with the general. Mr. Binney also mentioned the interesting fact that he had been acquainted with every president of the United States up to the time of Grant, during whose second administration he passed away at the great age of ninety-five.—General James Grant Wilson in Cornhill Magazine.

More Suitable Name, He Thinks.

"Some people insist on referring to flats as 'apartments.'"

"It's wrong," answered the discontented man. "They are compartments."—Washington Star.

Utilizing the Log.

Miss Querie—I understand you had a narrow escape crossing the Atlantic? Mr. Hard-Port—Yes, indeed. The coa ran out, and the captain had to split up the ship's log to keep the fires going.

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WILBRAHAM.

Dr. W. T. Knowlton of Hubbardston spent Saturday with his parents.

Henry Goodenough left for New York Tuesday and will sail for Paris to-morrow.

C. T. Wyman of Hubbardston, a former resident of this place, visited friends in town Saturday.

C. E. Peck, F. Bodurtha and Luther Brewer were chosen delegates Sunday to attend the Hampden District Sunday School Association meeting which was held in Springfield to-day.

The house owned by M. C. Wade caught fire from the chimney Saturday afternoon, damaging it to the extent of $50 to $100. The house is an old landmark and was one of four taverns on Wilbraham street when the mail coach passed through the town between Boston and New York.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Death of William H. Kellogg.

William H. Kellogg, 67, died at his home in North Wilbraham Saturday evening, after a long illness with a complication of diseases. Mr. Kellogg was born in Utica, N. Y., February 4, 1838, and was married in 1859 at Leonardsville, N. Y., to Miss Sabrina Coman. Mr. Kellogg was a shoemaker by trade, and worked for many years in the vicinity of Springfield. Eight years ago he moved to North Wilbraham. He is survived by a widow, three daughters, Mrs. Richard Brown of South Hadley, Mrs. F. A. Terrell of Boston and Mrs. C. M. Snow of North Wilbraham, and two sisters, Mrs. J. L. Worden of Leonardsville, N. Y., and Mrs. H. S. Dunklee of South Hadley Falls. The funeral was held at his late home Tuesday afternoon, Rev. V. H. Deming officiating, and burial was in the East Wilbraham cemetery.

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PROBATE COURT.

To the next of kin, and all others interested in the estate of Gilbert Osborne, late of Monson, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, Henry S. Osborne, the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance the second and final account of his administration on said estate and has made application for a distribution of the balance in his hands among the next of kin of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, on the fifth day of April, A. D. 1905, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why said account should not be allowed and distribution made according to said application.

And the petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper published in Palmer, in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, CHARLES L. LONG, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and five.

SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register. 50-3

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of the power of sale and of attorney contained in a mortgage deed given by Joseph Gregory of Brimfield, Hampden County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to John D. Barney of Holland, in said County and Commonwealth, dated June 15, 1899, and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 598, Page 530, for a breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold near the dwelling house upon the premises described below, on Saturday, April 1, 1905, at 10 o'clock a. m., all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage and therein described as follows, viz: A certain tract of land, with the buildings thereon, situate in said Brimfield and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a large rock about six rods south of the barn on the premises, thence northerly on the highway leading to Brimfield to land now occupied by George Adams; thence easterly on said Adams to land of Warren Agard; thence southerly on said Agard to north end of wire fence; thence westerly on land of C. F. Crawford to the place of beginning, containing about 25 acres, more or less, together with wagon shed on westerly side of road and being the same premises described in deed recorded in said Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 438, Page 504.

Terms $50 cash at time and place of sale; balance upon delivery of deed within ten days.

JOHN D. BARNEY, Mortgagee.

By THOMAS W. KENEFICK, Atty.

Palmer, March 9, 1905. 50-3

THEIR WEDDING CARD

(Original.)

"I once had a case," said the constable, "that was unique. I was called upon to arrest Frank Hickox, a steeplejack."

The listeners laughed and declared that the finish of the story was plain enough. The steeplejack climbed a spire and thus avoided arrest.

"Not at all," the constable proceeded. "Anthony Carver, a small merchant, had missed articles from his store and purported to have found some of them in Hickox's room. He had sworn out the warrant on which I was to make the arrest. Before I could get my fingers on the young man he had either left the place or gone into hiding. I had a conference with Carver, who was very bitter against the steeplejack. He admitted that the young man had often been at his house and had accepted of his hospitality. Carver gave that as a reason for his having turned so mercilessly against Hickox. Indeed he offered me $100 in case I succeeded in making the arrest.

I hunted the town high and low, but if the steeplejack was in it I couldn't find out where he was concealed. The next day I heard of him in Fairmount and, telegraphing the police to hold him, took a train to go there. When I reached the place the police reported that they had been too late, but had information that Hickox had taken a train for the junction, ten miles distant. I went there, but he had gone on. After spending a day following him from one point to another without getting any nearer to him I suspected his pals were misleading me. I returned to my starting point, called on Mr. Carver and reported my ill success. His daughter, a young woman of twenty-one, was in the room at the time. She listened to my account somewhat contemptuously and when I got through said snappishly:

"I saw him in Buckthorne yesterday."

"You? Saw him? How did that happen?"

"I went over there to visit a friend."

I looked at the girl's father inquiringly, but he made no comment on his daughter's information.

"Why didn't you call a policeman," I asked, "and have the fellow held?"

"In the first place, there was no policeman about, and, in the second, I wouldn't know what rights I have in such a case." And, turning on her heel, she whisked out of the room.

Had it not been for the reward offered I would have given up the job. It seemed to me that the members of the family had some grudge against the steeplejack and wished to get him in limbo. However, a hundred dollars was not to be made every day, and early the next morning I went over to Buckthorne. I had telephoned the police of that town among others to keep a sharp lookout for my man and on arriving went to the police office to score them for not getting him. They had kept watch of incoming and outgoing trains and were sure the accused had not either arrived or departed. Since they were especially sure that he had not departed I remained in the town all day, expecting that he was there and would show himself. But he didn't, and that night I went back home discouraged. I arrived after midnight, when the town was asleep. Happening to cast my eye up at the spire of St. Mark's church, near my home, I thought I saw something white at the very apex. I was a good deal puzzled, for I had never seen anything up there before—indeed, nobody had been there, so far as I knew, since the church was built. I was so interested that for the time being I forgot my ill success in arresting Hickox. However, since it was too dark for me to make out the curious thing, there was nothing for me to do but wait for daylight, so I went home and to bed.

The next morning on going to the window I noticed a knot of people standing opposite the church. They were all peering up at the spire, some of them with field glasses. I saw a man lower his glass and laugh. He handed it to another, who looked up and also laughed. Some appeared to be astonished and serious, but nearly every one laughed. Burning to get at a solution of the mystery, I dressed hurriedly and, seizing a field glass, ran downstairs and across to where I could see the church. There, lashed to the very summit of the spire, was an oblong, white, signlike looking thing swaying in the wind. There were letters on it, and, raising my field glass, I read:

MARRIED, JUNE 7,
FRANK PARSONS HICKOX
AND
CYNTHIA ISABEL CARVER.

For a few moments ideas were tumbling about in my head like dice in a box. Then the revelation came to me, and it turned out to be the truth. Hickox and Carver's daughter were lovers. Carver, objecting to the match, had accused Hickox of theft and placed or caused to be placed articles from his store in the young man's room. Hickox had kept out of the way (he had probably been hidden by Miss Carver) till they could arrange for a clandestine marriage. She had sent me to Buckthorne on a fool's errand the day before (June 7) with that end in view.

I did not call on Mr. Carver again, but sent him a bill for the time I had spent on his case. He remitted the amount, with $100 added.

As for the wedding card which Hickox had placed on the church spire, it fluttered there a week before Mr. Carver could hire a steeplejack to go up and get it down. His son-in-law finally did the job. ALEX R. SHERMAN.

Getting Serious.

You look hopeful. What's going on?" "The doctors have begun to issue bulletins concerning the condition of that rich uncle of mine who has been hanging on for so long.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Contrasted With Men.

One advantage about a pet dog is that he never smiles cardonically when a girl hits her thumb instead of the tack when she's hanging a picture.—Baltimore American.

A Chicago Alderman Owes His Election to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"I can heartily and conscientiously recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for affectations of the throat and lungs," says Hon. John Shenick, 220 So. Peoria St., Chicago, "Two years ago, during a political campaign, I caught cold after being overheated, which irritated my throat and I was finally compelled to stop, as I could not speak aloud. In my extremity a friend advised me to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I took two doses that afternoon and could not believe my senses when I found the next morning the inflammation had largely subsided. I took several doses that day, kept right on talking through the campaign, and I thank this medicine that I won my seat in the Council." This remedy is for sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

A Mountain Tomb

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While the western terminus of the Union Pacific railroad was still at Cheyenne I started off into the mountains with a companion named John Shayne to prospect for gold.

We had been out for two weeks when signs of Indians became so fresh that we were driven into hiding in a small canyon or ravine making out of a larger one. We kept working back up the dark and narrow way until we had quite reached the end, and as it had now come night and we were in want of food we decided to start a fire.

The bottom of the ravine was covered with leaves and limbs, and we soon had a cheerful blaze going. Soon after the fire was lighted two great wolves rushed past us, going for the mouth. They had come out of a mass of rock at the upper end. Thinking there might be a den there in which others were hiding, we made a torch and inspected the place.

Under a tangle of trees which had fallen from above was the mouth of a cave. It was little larger than the body of a wolf, but when we had eaten our supper we went at it to enlarge the orifice. In the course of an hour we opened the mouth of a great cavern. From the mouth what may be called a wide hallway ran back a distance of a hundred feet, and then we came to the cavern itself.

Its roof was from thirty to forty feet high, and in width and length there was space enough to crowd a thousand people together. We built a fire in the center of the vast apartment that we might have a good view around us, thinking there might be other wild animals lurking about, and when we could see everything we stood amazed and wondered if we could be dreaming.

It was a cavern, a charnel house and a tomb combined. There was not such a thing as a perfect skeleton, but there were hundreds and hundreds of human bones lying about, each one as white as ivory and as clean as a billiard ball. In the center of the cavern were seven or eight heaps of furniture, bedding, clothing and cooking utensils, each one apparently having belonged to a different owner. Leaning against one of the walls were eight rifles, and near them were axes and kegs of powder.

As we looked around and saw these things and handled some of them we could come to but one conclusion. Everything before us had belonged to a party of immigrants making westward over the overland trail. The cave was only ten miles off the trail. There had been some awful tragedy here, and we began looking closer to make it out. The puzzle was soon solved.

The immigrants had either been attacked by Indians and driven to hay in the cavern or had wandered from the trail and taken temporary refuge there. There was no way to tell how long they had been inside when a landslide brought down thousands of tons of debris over the mouth of the cavern and entombed them. Heavy rains had subsequently washed much of it inside, and then the wolves had burrowed through the remainder. The entombed people had made efforts in three or four directions and had broken or worn out their spades and shovels, but they had had to give it up at last. They might have blasted their way out with powder at hand, but they were afraid to use it.

We did not go into as rigid an examination that night as curiosity prompted, both of us having a strong feeling of awe in the presence of the relics of the dead, but after a night passed at our campfire outside we returned to the search.

We had noticed four or five wooden chests among the baggage, and our first move in the morning was to inspect these. They contained clothing, bedding, etc., but I had not yet finished with the first when I made an important discovery.

Five years previously a party had been made up in Boone and Jefferson counties, Mo., by a man named Frayne. There were seven families, numbering thirty people, in the party, and after they had progressed as far west as the foothills of the Rockies all trace of them had vanished. Some believed they had been overwhelmed in a cloudburst, others that they had been massacred to the last man by the Indians. In that trunk I found letters and an account book belonging to Frayne himself, and of course they settled the identity of the party.

On the floor of the cave Shayne picked up a blank book which had been used as a diary by one John Martin of the party. It covered a period of two months, dating from the start westward. His jottings were brief, but several of them referred to quarrels and dissensions, and the last one said that they were off the trail and sending out men north and south in hopes to regain it. Two children had died, but all others were well.

It is the general belief that in seeking to find the trail the party were sighted by Indians and retired into the big ravine for shelter. They may have made a stand there; but, the Indians proving to strong for them, they retired within the cave, leaving their animals and wagons outside. The animals were shot down and the wagons burned.

The people had plenty of provisions, but there was not one single drop of water to be had. The cave was as dry as a bedroom. Had the wolves not got access to it we should have found everybody as well preserved as if embalmed. We thoroughly explored every foot of wall, and there was not even a damp spot. How many hours or days before the landslip blocked up the entrance no one can say, but it is believed that the Indians brought it about by using powder from above. M. QUAD.

WARREN.

There will be a whist party in the parlors of Hotel Ramsdell this evening under the auspices of the Eastern Star chapter.

There will be two caucuses this spring, and both will be held next Friday evening The citizens' caucus will be held in the town hall and the Republican caucus in Brigham's hall.

Mrs. Mary Nevins, 80, died Monday night after a few days' illness at the home of her son, John Nevins, on Bemis road. She leaves one son, John, and one daughter, Miss Delia. The funeral was held yesterday morning in St. Paul's church and burial was in Ware.

The trolley wire of the Warren, Brookfield and Spencer street railway broke opposite the grain mill of Norton & Warren Wednesday morning as the 10 14 car was going east. It fell across the rail, and melted off again, and for a few minutes there was electricity everywhere, but as there were no trains or persons under it, no damage was done. The cars were delayed two trips while temporary repairs were made, and in the afternoon both breaks were permanently repaired.

Mrs. Cross—"Do you remember our first quarrel?" Mr. Cross—"Let me see. Was that going into the church or coming out?"

OUR LEGISLATIVE LETTER.

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revolutionary occurs, and there is no reason to expect that.

While the House promises to stand by the direct inheritance tax of 2 per cent on all property passing by inheritance or by will, with the exemption of $15,000 real and $5000 personal estate, yet the Senate may be relied upon to defeat it, the same as last year, unless this Senate is a very different body from any previous one. The reform arguments always persuades the House; the personal interests affected always defeat the bill in the Senate, and doubtless always will until the people attend the Senate.

This afternoon the House has had its last encounter over the bill to require the percentage of alcohol in patent medicines to be put upon the outside of the package or bottle. The manufacturers of these medicines, largely through Mr. Hayes of Lowell, where the great establishments of Hood and Ayer are situated, opposed the bill with all their power, but the sentiment was too strong for them that the public was entitled to know the percentage of alcohol. Some of the Boston Democrats voted for the bill also, a sufficient number to have defeated it if they had all voted the other way, for the bill was passed to be engrossed by vote of 109 to 88, and the sarcastic, respectable men of the minority call attention to the fact that another temperance measure has been passed by the votes of the extremists and the liquor men,—so they say. Now the question is whether the patent medicine manufacturers cannot defeat the bill in the Senate.

It was a lively debate in the House upon the bill to prevent the sale of drawn poultry and the performance of Mr. Birch of Milford in producing in the committee room an undressed fowl to illustrate his argument about the horrid condition of undrawn fowls was improved upon by the two birds which Mr. Stevens of Somerville presented in the House to show how much worse it would be to have poultry drawn so that the water from the ice in which they are packed could reach the internal parts. The bill was defeated by a very large majority.

Gov. Douglas's idea of a trade school had strong indorsement this forenoon before the committee on education and the labor representatives got a postponement in order to prepare their case better, but they have a formidable task before them. Education is at too much of a premium over ignorance. LANDON.

More Trouble For Ware's Overseers.

Trouble is brewing again among the overseers of the poor over the matter of the wardenship at the almshouse for the coming year. Mr. Bruce, the present warden, has held the position since Mr. Simpson left last fall, at a salary of $600. He does not ask for an increase, but wants an allowance in the way of help in the house, as none of the female inmates can assist much. There is a disagreement as to the desirability of granting this, and a new warden may be in charge after April 1. As the board which engages a warden now must have its action ratified by the board as it will be made up after election, it is necessary for Messrs. Farrar and Casey to agree, or take chances on the new man to be elected upsetting the arrangement. The present third member, B. F. Davis, is not to be a candidate for reelection, he declaring that he wishes to live in peace, if possible, during the rest of his days, and will have no more years of service like the three he has passed through.

BRIMFIELD.

The funeral of Mrs. Laura Tucker Moulton, widow of Austin Moulton, was held in the church last week Thursday. Mrs. Moulton had been away from home all winter and died in Kansas City.

Brimfield people are to have the pleasure this evening of a stereopticon exhibition of views in Scotland and Ireland by Dr. S. A. Fisk and Oscar F. Brown, describing their recent tour. Louis S. Brown of Boston has made about 80 slides for the occasion.

An evening with Mendelssohn was given in the Academy Hall Tuesday evening. The program was rendered by teachers and pupils assisted by Miss Lydia Hitchcock, Miss Hattie Eaton and George M. Hitchcock. Besides the musical numbers Principal May and Miss Snow gave readings and Mr. May read a paper on Mendelssohn.

WALES.

The Golden Rod mill is now running on full time.

Mrs. E. D. Shaw was in town this week calling on friends.

Mrs. Ellen Root will move soon to her native home in Dyville, Ct.

Miss Winnie Shaw entertained a few of her schoolmates Tuesday evening.

Edgar W. Cooke entered Brimfield Academy this week for a course of study.

Joseph Gagurie will sell his personal property at auction March 30, at 10 a. m.

Frank Baker has purchased a new incubator and will go into the chicken business.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Squier gave a party last week in honor of the 13th birthday of their daughter Ruby.

The young friends of Irene Steene gave her a surprise party last Friday evening in honor of her 13th birthday.

John F. Royce, the local meat man, lost a horse this week. The animal had its leg broken by being kicked by another horse, and had to be killed.

WEST WARREN.

Mrs. E. Carroll Bliss and daughter, Eleanor, are spending a week in New York city and vicinity.

Mrs. Cyrus M. Bragg of Gardiner, Me., is spending several months at the home of her son, Charles Bragg in the No. 4 village.

Edmund Chapdelaine, whose drug store in the Marcy block on Main street was damaged by fire the 5th, has had his insurance adjusted by the insurance companies, and was open again for business last Sunday.

The Quaboag Social Club, which was organized February 27, has secured three rooms over Brousseau's furniture store on Main street. They have been furnished and wired for electric lights, and were used for the first time last night.

Charles N. Jones, who was employed in No. 2 mill, was injured Wednesday afternoon. He was standing on a ladder oiling shafting, when the ladder fell from under him and he fell to the floor, badly bruising his elbows and receiving a scalp wound. He was taken to his home, where he was attended by Dr. Moore.

Mrs. Julia Bennett, 45, wife of Henry Bennett, died at her home on Main street Tuesday night after a week's illness. She had been in poor health for over a year, and was taken seriously ill about a week ago. Besides her husband, she leaves three children, Mrs. Sapline Yell of Ware, and Eva and Arthur at home. The funeral was held in St. Thomas's church yesterday morning at 9, and burial was in Warren.

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Mrs. Fannie D. Fox, of 7 Chestnut Street, Bradford, Pa., writes:

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"I su

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To the next of kin, and all others interested in the estate of Gilbert Osborne, late of Monson, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, Henry S Osborne, the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance the second and final account of his administration on said estate and has made application for a distribution of the balance in his hands among the next of kin of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, on the fifth day of April, A. D. 1905, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why said account should not be allowed and distribution made according to said application.

And the petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper published in Palmer, in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, CHARLES L. LONG, Esquire, Judge of *said Court, this seventh day of March in the* year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and five. 50-3

SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of the power of sale and of attorney contained in a mortgage deed given by Joseph Gregory of Brimfield, Hampden County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to John D. Barney of Holland, in said County and Commonwealth, dated June 15, 1899, and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 598, Page 530, for a breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold near the dwelling house upon the premises described below, on Saturday, April 1, 1905, at 10 o'clock a. m., all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage and therein described as follows, viz: A certain tract of land, with the buildings thereon, situate in said Brimfield and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a large rock about six rods south of the barn on the premises, thence northerly on the highway leading to Brimfield to land now occupied by George Adams; thence easterly on said Adams to land of Warren Agard; thence southerly on said Agard to north end of wire fence; thence westerly on land of C. F. Crawford to the place of beginning, containing about 25 acres, more or less, together with wagon shed on westerly side of road and being the same premises described in deed recorded in said Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 438, Page 504

Terms $50 cash at time and place of sale; balance upon delivery of deed within ten days.

JOHN D. BARNEY, Mortgagee.
By THOMAS W. KENEFICK, Atty.
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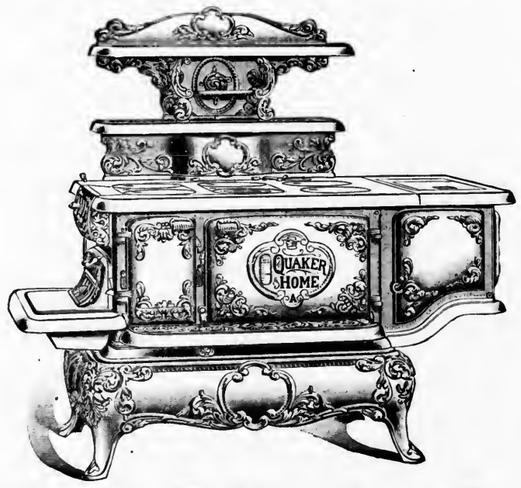

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PALMER TOWN OFFICERS.

Election Brings No Changes in The Principal Boards.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER LOOMIS OUT

Campaign for Change of Assessors and Tax Collector Fruitless of Results.

The Palmer town election on Monday furnished a number of surprises, chief among which was the election of every one of the town officials who were candidates for reëlection with the exception of cemetery commissioner, D. L. Bodfish defeating H. G. Loomis by 30 votes. The town goes for license again by 315

Much criticism, both private and public, had been made of the board of assessors and the tax collector, and determined opposition to their reëlection was manifest. When the votes were counted however it was found that the assessors were all safe for another year with comfortable margins, while the tax collector was almost out of sight of his competitor. C. N. Ellithorpe, who was denied a nomination for assessor in the caucuses, ran on nomination papers, and an after-election view makes it certain that had he remained out of the contest at least one and possibly two new men would have been elected; he received the smallest vote of the six, but it was taken from the old board, and had those votes gone to other new candidates they won'd have made certain the election of Mr Barker at least, as he was only 39 short of third place. T. J. Conroy was also running for selectman on nomination papers to defeat C. T. Brainerd if possible, but he landed with a safe margin of nine votes over James Summers, a new candidate, while Mr. Conroy was last with 204 behind Mr Summers. For overseer of poor A A. Warriner was opposed by E W. Carpenter, but was reëlected by a majority of 105 The detailed vote follows, a star indicating election:

SELECTMEN.

Precinct	A	B	C	D	Total
*C. T. Brainerd, d,	217	136	118	71	542
T. J. Conroy, nom. paper,	135	86	64	44	329
*William Lawton, d, r,	359	191	118	78	749
James Summers, r,	240	113	135	36	533
*J. F. Twiss, d, r,	289	168	153	78	688
Blanks,	131	101	70	56	358
ASSESSORS.					
L. G. Barker, r,	166	65	154	32	417
*H. T. Bishop, d,	150	189	61	55	455
C. N. Ellithorpe, nom. pap,	179	32	41	13	265
B F. Emery, r,	195	74	50	54	373
*J. O. Hamilton, d, r,	294	155	97	82	628
*A. A. Warriner, d,	200	109	128	59	496
Blanks,	196	174	128	68	566
OVERSEER OF POOR, 3 YEARS.					
E. W. Carpenter, r,	243	86	70	41	434
*A. A. Warriner, d,	187	159	124	69	539
Blanks,	30	27	26	11	94
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 YEARS.					
*G. D. Mooers, d, r,	300	213	158	91	762
*A. J. Purinton, d, r,	334	139	127	77	677
Blanks,	283	180	153	74	690
TAX COLLECTOR.					
*I. A. Hawkes, d,	236	192	132	80	640
Byram Woodhead, r,	210	57	66	32	365
Blanks,	14	17	22	9	62
TOWN CLERK.					
*J. F. Foley, d, r,	396	222	181	103	902
Blanks,	63	44	39	18	164
TOWN TREASURER.					
*J. F. Holbrook, d, r,	402	211	169	95	877
Blanks,	57	55	51	26	189
BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 YEARS.					
*S. O. Miller, d, r,	303	168	146	81	698
Blanks,	153	98	74	40	365
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, 3 YEARS.					
*D. L. Bodfish, d,	199	130	83	48	451
H. G. Loomis, r,	205	81	83	52	421
Blanks,	65	55	54	21	195
AUDITORS.					
*E. W. Carpenter. d, r,	334	157	138	78	707
*C. A. LeGro, d, r,	334	162	140	74	710
Blanks,	250	213	160	90	713
CONSTABLES.					
*G. A. Bills, d, r,	345	137	132	75	689
*Michael Collins, d, r,	306	185	144	103	738
T. W. Holt, r,	209	120	103	59	491
*J. J. Manning, d, r,	280	154	128	76	638
*E. F. McKelligott, d, r,	267	204	139	85	695
*C. B. Thomas, nom paper,	283	104	115	42	544
Blanks,	606	426	339	165	1536
FENCE VIEWERS.					
*E. J. Fuller, r,	222	120	118	62	522
*Dennis Mahoney, d,	217	170	96	64	547
*P. M. Shearer, Sr., d,	294	115	115	52	576
W. S. Whiting, d,	184	134	88	66	472
Blanks,	460	259	243	119	1081
LICENSE.					
*Yes,	264	187	136	67	654
No,	162	61	68	48	339
Blanks,	34	18	16	6	74

Election Notes.

For a new candidate Mr. Summers ran well, polling 533 in a total of 1067.

Mr. Warriner proves a hard man to beat, as his vote in both contests where his name appears, indicates

The license majority is a most two to one. There were few blanks in this matter, only 74 failing to vote on the question.

The selectmen met Wednesday afternoon and organized with J. F. Twiss chairman and clerk. T. W. Kenefick was appointed town counsel.

Tax Collector Hawkes didn't do a thing to his opponent, winning by almost two to one. It will be noticed that the figures show the least blanks in this contest of any on the ticket.

In spite of the interest in the election of assessors the returns show a large number of blanks; this is accounted for by the fact that many voters marked only one name, hoping thereby to be sure and effect a change in the personnel of the board.

The returns straggled along from 4 to nearly 5 30; precinct A officers were first to report; they had 460 votes to count and were at the town clerk's office at 4.04; D, with 121 votes, was next at 4 44; B, 266 votes, 5 10; C, 220 votes, 5.22. The total vote was 1067, out of a total of 1257.

The school committee met Tuesday evening and organized with W. H. Norton chairman and Superintendent Fuller secretary. *Sub-committees* were chosen as follows: High school, Palmer grammar, and Wire Mill, Messrs. McDonald and Purinton; Three Rivers, R. C. Newell; Bondsville, Dr. D. B. Sullivan; Thorndike and the districts, Messrs. Norton and Mooers.

The overseers of poor met Tuesday evening and organized by the choice of L. E. Chandler as chairman and clerk. For the present they will meet every week at 7 30 Wednesday evening, when applications for aid may be made. They have abolished the method in vogue for many years of each member of the board having control of the aid in certain sections of the town, and hereafter applications for assistance will come before the full board at its regular meeting; in case of extreme necessity immediate aid will be given, but not beyond the next meeting of the board. Bids for services as town physician for the year ending March 31, 1906, have been invited, also bids for furnishing meats for the town farm.

HAMPDEN.

Selectman Henry Chapin and Miss Flora Butterworth, daughter of George C Butterworth, were married at the residence of the bride's brother, H. C. Butterworth, in Hampden Wednesday evening. The wedding was a quiet one, attended only by the families. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. B. Bliss of the Congregational church.

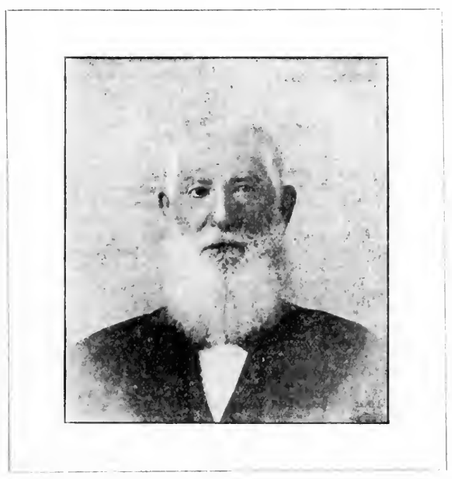
TIM KENFIELD.

Veteran Musician Passes Away At Belchertown.

LEADER OF FAMOUS DANCE QUARTET.

For Half a Century a Well Known and Popular Violinist at Balls Hereabouts.

Timothy Kenfield died at his home in Belchertown Wednesday morning after a severe attack of the grip, combined with ailments due to accumulated years, for he had reached the ripe age of 82. In him passes a figure well known and loved by the dancers of a generation ago, for "Uncle Tim," as he was called, was a noted violinist, and until his age prevented, his "fiddle," as he called it, was the means of a lucrative livelihood, and it and "Tim Kenfield" were known wherever the dancers congregated in Western Massachusetts. Nor was his fame confined to



that section, but extended into other states as well.

Mr. Kenfield was born in Enfield, April 9, 1822, the son of Shobel Kenfield, but had been a resident of Belchertown for over 60 years. Mr. and Mrs. Kenfield celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage at their home in Belchertown, April 20, 1897, by a small family gathering.

To say that Mr. Kenfield was well known in Western Massachusetts is putting it mild. He and his beloved "fiddle" are well known to many people all through that section, in which he had long been ascribed the honor of being the foremost "fiddler,". At the early age of 14 he developed a love for the art in which he afterwards became so proficient, and requested his parents to purchase him a fiddle. His mother was at first adverse, but recognizing the genius of her son, which was not to be mistaken, she consented and his father bought him one at the munificent price of four bushels of oats. In those days "catgut" strings were a great rarity, and his mother used to spin and twist silk for his violin.

At the age of 20 Mr. Kenfield went to Boston and spent some time under the direction of a German master of the violin named Schmidt, and also fitted himself for a teacher of singing under Prof. Witherby. From that time his services were in constant demand. He has officiated at countless balls in all the towns within a radius of many miles, and taught singing school at Enfield, Palmer, Hardwick, Belchertown, Northampton, Pittsfield and in many other places in different parts of the state. He played constantly for more than 15 years with Eliot Thompson, an old dancing-master, and for 25 years he was associated with John Bacon of Brimfield. In those early days there was very little printed music except that which was imported, and it could only be obtained at very high prices; consequently Mr. Kenfield composed the greater part of his music with much difficulty and labor, and all his pieces were considered rare productions. At one time he had more than 75 sets of quadrilles for five instruments.

The first time that Mr. Kenfield ever played in public was at a ball given in the old Randall hall at Pelham, which was several years after he procured his first fiddle. The amount of money he received for his services was 25 cents. He next played for a public ball in Palmer at the old Palmer House—now the Converse House—hall as far back as when the hall ran out over the horse sheds. He had since played many times in this town, and many of the residents who have danced merrily to the sweet strains of music drawn with his master hand from the strings of his violin will long and kindly remember him.

When Bordman Shaw ran the Antique House, now the Weeks House, Mr. Kenfield would stay for weeks at a time at the hotel to accommodate dancing parties. For many years he conducted an orchestra with Fred Munger of Palmer playing the bass viol, Louis Coburn of the same place the clarinet, with several other well-known musicians. In fact, for a time no dance in Western *Massachusetts was complete without "Bacon & Kenfield's Orchestra,"* Mr. Kenfield leading and playing first violin, Mr. Bacon playing second violin and prompting. A familiar figure was "Tim" Kenfield at these dances; and when in later years the long hours began to have their effect on the wakefulness of the aged violinist, it was nothing uncommon to see him asleep in his place in the orchestra playing the familiar round of "Money Musk," Hull's Victory," or some other contra dance as well as his associates. Many a maiden who danced to Mr. Kenfield's music has grown up to see her children dance the same dances to the same music.

Mr. Kenfield was also for some years handmaster and first violinist in the orchestra of Dr. Thomas Meekins of Northampton, and also Stratton & Sibley's orchestra of Hartford, Ct. He led a band in Belchertown for a number of years, playing D flat cornet. On the occasion when Col. Myron Walker gave a reunion to his regiment in Belchertown and many famous bands were present, including Colt's band of Hartford, Mr. Kenfield distinguished himself by the superior character of the music rendered by his band, and won much deserved praise.

Mr. Kenfield is survived by his wife, who has been blind for a number of years, and two children, Mrs. Nelson Cook and Rodney Kenfield, both of Belchertown. The funeral services were held from his late home this afternoon at 1.30, Rev. Mr. Woodbury officiating, and burial was in Woodlawn cemetery at Enfield.

HOUSE BURNED.

12-Years-old Girl Has a Narrow Escape From Death.

RESCUED UNCONSCIOUS FROM CLOSET

Fire Started Suddenly in Corner of Kitchen While Family Sat in The Room.

The two-story two-tenement house of Mrs. Lyman Snow at Shearer's Corners in Palmer was wholly destroyed by fire Tuesday evening, and Daisy, the 12-years-old daughter of G. A. Authier, narrowly escaped death in the flames, being found unconscious in a closet, from which she was rescued by her father, who was severely burned on the left hand and arm in so doing.

The upper tenement of the house was occupied by Torone Vik and the lower by Mr. Authier and family and by Mrs. Snow. They were sitting in the kitchen just before 8 o'clock when fire suddenly appeared in one corner of the room. The water had been shut off from the pipes earlier in the day on account of a break in the main, and there was nothing with which to fight the flames, which increased rapidly and were accompanied by a dense smoke which at once filled the room. Mr. Authier cried "Get out!" and ran through the door into the front room and then out of doors. Here he began to look about for the other members of his family and discovered that the girl was not among them. He went to the window of a bedroom opening off the kitchen and called, and heard a slight sound; breaking the window he entered the smoke-filled room and groped his way to the closet, at the farther end of which he found the girl unconscious. Keeping his body between her and the flames, which were rapidly creeping along the room, he took her to the window and passed her through to those outside.

The alarm was sounded from box 38 at 7.52, and in a very short time the firemen were on the ground and had their hose laid, but could get no water. A break had occurred in the main on North Main street earlier in the day and the water company had closed the gates. They were opened after a time however, but it was 30 minutes after the hose was in readiness before water was had. In the meantime the fire had made such headway that nothing of the house could be saved. At the time the hose was in readiness the fire was still confined to the kitchen, and Chief Bills had a line of hose on either side of the house, to drive the flames back and confine them to the ell part, which would have been an easy matter.

A considerable amount of the furniture was saved. The loss on the building is about $3000, insured for $2500. Mr. Authier carried no insurance.

The fire was a hot one and the danger to neighboring buildings great. But for the snow on the roofs others must have caught, especially the barn of P. M. Shearer across the road. The barn on the Snow place stands at a little distance from the house, and attached to it were two sheds, the ends of which soon blazed up. A. E. Fitch, who was formerly a member of the department, seized a pail and entering the narrow space between the sheds and the house dipped up water from the melting snow and dashed it upon the shed. It looked like a forlorn hope for a time, but he soon began to make headway and was joined by others, with the result that the shed was saved. It was hot work however; a man could stand it only a few moments, the heat was so great, when he had to retire and he rubbed with snow or have water dashed upon his back.

The origin of the fire is a complete mystery. The flames sprang up in the corner of the room as if by magic, and must have started between the walls of the partition it would seem. It has been stated that Mr. Authier, who is a painter, was mixing a preparation on the stove, *that it exploded and started the fire,* but this members of the family who were sitting in the room deny, stating that there was nothing on the stove but the teakettle. In the rear room on the other side of the partition from the seat of the fire was a gasolene stove, but it had not been used since warm weather; this room was filled with flame when the fire made its presence known in the kitchen.

HAMPDEN MAN ACQUITTED.

Found Not Guilty of Having Adulterated Milk in His Possession.

Albert E. Ballard of Hampden, who was tried in Springfield last week Thursday morning on the charge of having adulterated milk in his possession, was declared not guilty Friday morning by Judge Bosworth. He found there was no controlling evidence to show that the defendant was the owner of the property from which the milk was obtained, the fact being well established that the farm and cows were owned by the defendant's wife. No further prosecution will result from the taking of the samples, as the law requires that a written notice of the analysis shall be forwarded to the owner of the farm from which it is taken within ten days after the analysis has been made. The limit of time has therefore passed for further prosecution.

D. W. Taft of Boston spent Monday with Palmer friends.

KILLED BY STEAM CARS.

Warren Young Woman Steps in Front of Express Train.

WAS ON HER WAY HOME FROM WORK

And Stepped From One Track to Avoid A Freight. Lived Here Only Two Years.

Miss Alma Liedes, 21, of Warren, was killed Monday afternoon about 2 30 while walking on the railroad track between the Sayles & Jenks Manufacturing company's plant and the Warren depot. Miss Liedes, who was employed in the finishing-room of the mill, left her work because of not feeling well, and started to walk up the track. She had gone a short distance, and was passing a freight train going west, when express train No. 42 suddenly came up behind her on the curve and struck her. The train was stopped and the body taken into the baggage car and brought to the depot, and she died just about the time she was taken from the train. The body was not badly mangled, but she evidently received the brunt of the blow on the back of her head. The body was viewed by Medical Examiner E. W. Norwood of Spencer, who pronounced death due to fracture of the skull and resulting hemorrhage, and entirely accidental. Miss Liedes came to Warren about two years ago from Finland, where her father, mother and four sisters still reside. She had lived at the home of Mrs Adlar Warrenmar on South street in Warren. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 2

LUDLOW CHURCH REDEDICATED.

Wednesday After Rebuilding. Original Dedication was in 1846.

The dedication of the rebuilt Union church at Ludlow took place Wednesday evening with impressive ceremonies, about 400 people being present The building was originally dedicated in 1846, and A. C. Gove of Ludlow and Mrs. Jane Miller of Springfield, who were present at that time, were also present at the service Wednesday evening. The service opened with an organ voluntary by A. H. Turner of Springfield, "Te Deum," by the quartet, followed, and the scriptures were read by Rev. E. D. Francis of the First church of Ludlow Center. The invocation was by Rev. S. H. Woodrow of Hope church, Springfield. Miss Louise Stevens rendered the solo, "Hymn of Praise," and the congregation joined in singing hymn 634 The sermon was delivered by Rev. Ozroa S. Davis of New Britain, Ct., a responsive reading was led by Rev. M. A. Denman of Memorial church, Springfield, and the rededication service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. A. Butterfield. Rev. Putnam Webber of Ludlow Methodist church spoke for the local fellowship, and Rev. Dr. P. S. Moxom of the South church in Springfield for the fellowship of the churches. The benediction was by Rev. M. S. Howard of Wilbraham.

At a joint meeting of the church and parish held April 20 of last year, it was voted that a committee be appointed to secure contributions toward building a new church, and subscriptions to the amount of $5500 were soon pledged. The Ludlow Manufacturing Associates, who owned the church building, informed the parish committee that they would remodel the church and rent it to the society. This offer was accepted, and about the first of August the church was dismantled. Architect R. W. Emerson of Boston drew the plans for the rebuilt church which is of pure colonial design on the exterior and interior. The auditorium is finished off in solid quartered oak and is admirably arranged. The pulpit platform extends well out into the auditorium, and at either side ample platform space has been given, which will be used by the choir and for Sunday school concerts. In the rear the old gallery is replaced by an alcove, which can be used as an overflow or reception room. The first floor of the building is to be given up to the Ludlow schoolroom, and this is also large and attractive, and is as well finished as many interiors of large churches. A kitchen adjoins, which has been carefully arranged. A kindergarten room adjoins the large room, and there are also toilet and cloak-rooms. The building is heated by steam.

The Ladies' Aid society of the church have presented a pulpit set and communion furniture valued at $225. Also a rug for the women's parlor. The Junior Christian Endeavor society has presented two Bibles and one of the young women's Sunday school classes has given collection plates in harmony with the pulpit set.

Everybody's Magazine For April.

Startling is the revelation of the methods of the ever-rapacious "System" made by Mr. Lawson in the installment of his "Frenzied Finance" published in Everybody's for April. Mr. Lawson describes the getting together of the properties that compose Amalgamated; and in doing so, tells how the owners of Utah Consolidated found themselves obliged to ask assistance from the "System"; how they got it, and the price they had to pay for it.

In his chapters of "The Greatest Trust in the World," Mr. Russell tells of the vice of "underbilling," which the railroads are powerless to prevent. Railroads powerless to prevent? If you don't believe a Trust *can frighten a railroad, read about the* presidents of sixteen great companies who did not dare to meet openly to protest against the Trust's bullying methods, but sneaked into a club, talked, and did nothing.

A strong introduction to an excellent number is Mr. Richard Barry's "Hell at Port Arthur," illustrated by the author's photographs. Maxim Gorky, a prisoner of Russian autocracy, his fate still hanging in the balance, is the subject of an appreciation by Christian Brinton; in his horribly real sketch, "The Road of Shame," one gets a view of Russian life that supplements and verifies the conclusion of the critic. John Dennis Jr., in "Hooligan: the Slum as a World-Power," touches on a new field. He shows how the growth of the British slum, the substitution of the city tough for the country bumpkin, has driven Joseph Chamberlain to advocate protection instead of the historic British policy of free trade.

Foremost among the short stories of the number stands "Human Nature," by Katherine Cecil Thurston; Miss Bensley continues the interesting account of her experiences as a nursery governess; S. A. Nelson tells a good Wall Street story

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 24, 1905.

PROMISES TO BE LIVELY.

Next Monday's town meeting promises to be anything but devoid of interest. There was sharp criticism last year of the doings of certain town officials, and specific instructions for the year just closed were given. These have not been lived up to, and unless the spirit which prompted the instructions a year ago has died out there will be some lively times next Monday.

IMPORTANT.

One of the articles in the warrant for next Monday's town meeting is to see if the town will take any steps toward investigating the possible sources of a water supply for the town. This is one of the most important articles of the warrant. Some investigation has been made by a few interested in the matter, and it is the opinion that a system adequate for the supply of the entire town can be had at a reasonable figure. The appointment of a committee to employ an expert investigator, and the appropriation of a small sum for the necessary expense, will be asked. A good water system is one of the best investments a town can make. The Journal has frequently urged that Palmer should own its own water supply, and now seems a good time to make a start.

GO TO TOWN MEETING.

Every voter should go to the annual appropriation meeting next Monday. No merchant or business man is so busy that he cannot afford to take one day, or such portion of it as may be necessary, to assist in directing the affairs of the town for the coming year. It is his duty to do this. There are many important matters coming up next Monday,—some of them of the utmost importance to the future of the town,—and they should be given careful and intelligent attention. It is the thought of the successful business man which is needed in town meeting deliberations. No man of this class would start a business of his own, or a factory or even a single piece of machinery, and then leave it to take care of itself. And yet this is just what a large proportion of the business men of the town have been doing year after year. Let's have a change this year; let's all go to the town meeting next Monday.

UNFORTUNATE.

There seems to be a disposition on the part of many to lay a large measure of blame on the Palmer Water Company for the lack of water at the fire Tuesday evening. The company already has real troubles enough to keep it busy without adding those which do not rightly belong to it, and in this instance it seems to be a case of misfortune rather than fault. A break developed in the main Tuesday forenoon and it became advisable to shut the water off. The pipe had to be cut in order to repair it, and rather than do this at night the company decided to wait until daylight, in the meantime keeping gate wrenches at the home of Mr. Gamwell near the shut-offs, and leaving the boxes uncovered for quick use in case of necessity. The sleet storm of the afternoon covered these and rendered them difficult to find and open when needed. The work was accomplished as soon as possible, but the delay was unfortunately long. The break in the pipe was also unfortunate, coming at the time it did, but such is liable to occur at any time in any system.

POLITICAL COMMUNICATIONS.

It is always a debatable question how much effect an ante-election communication printed in a newspaper will have on the election. Sometimes they appear to be productive of results, but not always along the lines intended. Last week's issue of the Journal contained a greater number than ever before, and while of course their full effect cannot be measured, it is freely claimed and seemingly with a large measure of surety, that but for the letter attacking the record of C. T. Brainerd as selectman, the desires of those back of it—his defeat—would have been accomplished. That the severe attack in the letter made for him more than the nine votes by which he was elected seems assured by the statements of many who say that but for the publication of the letter he would not have received their vote. Their claim is that the statements made in the letter were in the possession of the writer long before the last issue of the Journal; that if true they should have been given to the public long before and an investigation made. There was also a feeling that such sharp criticism of a public official should have been made in time for him to make reply if he chose.

THE American Board of Foreign Missions is debating whether or not to accept a modest $100,000 of John D. Rockefeller's money, and is inclined to have quite a spasm over the matter on the ground that the funds are tainted by immoral means of acquisition. If every dollar given for similar purposes or for charity or the churches were made to show an absolutely clean record before it was accepted, far too many of these institutions would be forced to close up in short order, we imagine. A former Palmer clergyman held that it was good policy to take the devil's money to fight his Satanic majesty with whenever an opportunity presented. Rockefeller offers the money for particular institutions and not for the general use of the Board. Now if these are in need of funds will the Board be doing the best for the cause in which it is enlisted if it turns down John D's. offer and allows the work to suffer?

ALL Massachusetts is saddened by the awful calamity which came early Monday morning to the city of Brockton. The explosion of a boiler in a shoe factory soon after the day's work began resulted in the death of 58 persons; 55 bodies have been recovered but only 17 have been identified, fire adding its horror to the force of the explosion, which tore one side of the factory out, the rest then falling in. Public funeral services were held yesterday, five of them, attended and participated in by clergymen of all denominations.

THE Japanese don't seem to mind the change in the commanders of the Russian army a little bit. They are now engaged in chasing Linevitch north in the same easy manner with which they kept Kurapatkin on the move, while Linevitch is doing his best to keep them from getting a grip on his coattails.

VERMONT is trying the local option law with reference to the liquor question, and Maine is to attempt a rigid enforcement of the prohibitory law on her statute books. The outcome will be watched with interest by way of comparison. The chances are more than even that Vermont secures the best results.

WHILE the thermometer readings of the past winter show that the cold did not compare with that of the previous winter in severity, there are plenty who will be inclined, from the size of their coal bills, to mistrust that the thermometers slipped a cog somewhere.

WORCESTER wants a new passenger station for her railroads. So does every traveler who ever had any experience waiting for connections in the Worcester dungeon which has served as a railroad station for so many years.

PALMER NEWS.

DEER HAD TO BE SHOT.

Chased by Dogs Near Forest Lake. Many Deer in That Section.

A handsome doe deer with a broken leg and chased by two dogs ran into a yard near the Clark & Hastings farm near Forest Lake yesterday morning, where it gave up and fell, but fortunately not to the fury of the dogs, as William Moore happened on the scene and drove them off. The deer was taken to the barn and Deputy Game Commissioner Luman sent for, who soon relieved the sufferings of the animal by shooting it. There is no clue to the owner of the dogs. There are numerous deer in the covers near this farm; a herd of ten was seen feeding there a few days ago, while others saw seven feeding by the roadside last Saturday.

District Court.

Jeremiah J. Downey of Three Rivers was assessed $5 last Saturday for drunkenness, and paid.

On Monday Christian Dempsey and Robert Cassidy, both of North Wilbraham, were arraigned for disturbing the peace and quietness on one of the late electric cars Saturday night. They were smoking, using profane language and making themselves generally obnoxious, paying no attention to the requests of the conductor for order. A fine of $10 each was imposed and paid.

William Byron was found guilty of converting the peace of Ludlow into fragmental sections and was assessed $10, which he yielded up.

Yesterday morning William Cuthberson of Monson, for inebriation, was sent to the house of correction for 30 days.

The following civil entries were made last Saturday: Buzzell Laramie of Ludlow against Joseph Guy of Ludlow, action of contract; Clough for the plaintiff, Carroll & McClintock for defendant. E. Goodes of Palmer against Thomas Curley of Monson; Hobson for plaintiff, Dillon for defendant.

An Enjoyable Event.

The annual guest night of the Palmer Woman's Club was held in Masonic Hall last Friday evening. The rooms were tastefully decorated with palms and potted plants in bloom, and cut flowers. A large number were present. The entertainers were Miss Carolyn Foye, reader, who was here a year ago, and whose powers to entertain had in no measure diminished, and Miss Ila Roberts of Springfield, vocalist, whose selections were cordially received: the accompanist was Miss Annie Fish of Palmer. After the entertainment ice cream and cake were served, and fruit punch bowls were presided over by Mrs. F. W. Hovey, Mrs. G. S. Holden, Mrs. S. B. Keith and Mrs. L. E. Chandler. A social hour followed. The committee in charge consisted of Mrs. H. C. Cheney, Mrs. H. W. Holbrook, Mrs. W. H. Norton and Mrs. E. G. Childs; the ushers were Miss Genevra Clark, Miss Blanche Hastings, Mrs. C. E. Fuller, Mrs. J. H. Gray, Mrs. C. L. Wade, Mrs. F. M. Ralton and Miss Annie Fish.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

At the hen house it is interesting to note that the incubator work results in a hatch of about 25 per cent of the eggs.

The amount of milk produced and about one hundred quarts a day bought besides, making a total of about six hundred quarts, is consumed daily.

Dr. Flood gave an interesting lecture on "Evolution" before the training school Tuesday night. The lecture room was well filled and all seemed to enjoy it. There will be other lectures to follow from time to time.

It seems proper to state that the very serious case of a woman who attracted much attention by her uncontrolled conduct when she arrived at the Palmer station some weeks ago, after a good deal of patient and careful attention has so far recovered as to be quiet and rational and apparently on the road to recovery.

Farmers' Institute Next Friday.

A farmers' institute, under the auspices of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society, will be held in the district court room on Friday evening of next week at 7 o'clock. The speaker will be Mr. A. F. Hunter, associate editor of the Reliable Poultry Journal, and his subject will be "Profits from poultry; how to breed, feed and care for poultry to get the best profit." The subject of poultry is one which has an interest for many other than the large breeder or the farmer, as there are numerous persons who keep more or less fowls for their own use, and as the institute will be held in the evening it will give all an opportunity to attend.

Fined $50 For Cruelty to Animals.

Edward P. Miller of Ludlow was fined $50 in the district court last Saturday for cruelty to animals, and took an appeal. The complaint was made by Agent Dexter of Springfield, who charged that Miller had allowed 12 hogs to remain in a field all winter with no protection whatever. Miller claimed that his hired man was away and that sickness prevented his caring for the animals, and that their condition was only temporary. Bail in the sum of $200 was required and furnished.

The schools of the town will begin again next Monday.

Miss Ethel Oakes of Central street is visiting relatives in Worcester.

John Madden has been confined to his home a part of this week by illness.

Mr. Fletcher of the state board of education visited the Palmer schools last Friday.

There will be a cottage prayer meeting at Mrs. Hiram Palmer's Wednesday evening.

Rev. C. Julian Tuthill occupied the pulpit of St. Paul's church last Sunday evening.

J. M. Justin of Blandford visited his brother, G. H. Justin, the latter part of last week.

Mrs. James Rohan of Springfield has been the guest of Mrs. J. L. Wilder on Pine street.

Mrs. Mary Witherell of Westhoro has been the guest of Mrs. F. W. Harrison on Knox street.

Miss Lilla Collis will open her millinery store in the Feeney block on Main street next Monday.

Mrs. Dora Holbrook of Norwich, Ct., has been the guest of Miss Estella Truesdell on North Main street.

Miss Pearl Fish entertained a party of her friends at her home on North Main street Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Edward Johnson was operated upon in the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield Tuesday morning.

A demonstration of beef extract is being conducted at Taylor's grocery store in the Holden block this week.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30.

Miss Molly Webster gave a whist party to a number of friends at her home on Thorndike street Wednesday evening.

The speaker at the Lenten service in St. Paul's church next Thursday evening will be Rev. William Couden of Somerville.

J. A. Breckenridge, who has been spending the winter in New York and New Jersey with his sons, has returned home.

A party of Palmer people are planning to see Maxine Elliot at the Court Square Theatre in Springfield next Tuesday evening.

Charles W. Robinson has bought the house of J. H. Davis on Park street. Mr. Robinson will occupy the house in about a month.

George Ezekiel of Knox street is to move into the Dr. Holbrook house on Main street when it is vacated by C. A. Morrill.

Mrs. E. C. Thorpe and Mrs. J. D. Kendrick of Barre Plains, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Goodes on Pine street, have returned to their homes.

Enos Calkins, who has been spending the winter with his daughter in New Haven, is reported as very sick with heart trouble.

Rocco Cerago has sold his fruit business on Main street to Vincenzo Sullo. He will remain in Palmer, and it is expected will be identified with the business in some manner.

Michael Mastalerz of Three Rivers and Michael McCarthy of Monson have declared their intention of becoming citizens of the United States and taken out first naturalization papers.

The Quimby Pharmacy finds itself in need of additional room for goods, which is obtained by the introduction of hanging shelves over a portion of the counters. The work was done by C. N. Ellithorpe.

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be "The Old Man and the New;" Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6; song service at 7, followed by a sermon on "The Return of the Greatest Hero."

The plate glass window in the Feeney block on Main street, which was broken by the slight fire at the base a few weeks ago, was replaced yesterday. A new plate of glass came last week but was too short and had to be sent back.

The Monday Evening Whist Club met this week at the home of Mrs. W. P. Webster on Thorndike street. The first prize was won by Miss Mollie E. Webster, the second by Mrs. James Gray, and the consolation prize by Mrs. F. W. Harrison. Refreshments were served.

There will be the usual service at 3 p. m. Sunday in the Advent chapel, conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Makepeace. Beginning Sunday Mrs. Makepeace will give the first of a series entitled "From Egypt to Canaan," illustrated with the blackboard. The subject Sunday will be "Deliverance."

The Worcester conference of Universalist churches will be held with the Church of Our Father in Spencer on Thursday of next week, with sessions at 3 and 7 p. m. One of the afternoon speakers will be Rev. W. A. Moore of Palmer, and his subject, "The real test of our success as a church of Christ."

A demonstration of various articles of food, etc., is being arranged for, to be held in the opera house for an entire week in the near future. The demonstration will be in the interests of no particular merchant, but is conducted by a company which is sent out by the manufacturers to introduce and advertise their goods.

C. A. Morrill, who has been employed as a bookkeeper by the Flynt Building and Construction company for the past five years, is to leave town about the first of April, but will remain with the company in an advanced position, having charge of certain departments of its outside work. Mr. Morrill has acquired quite a reputation as an amateur grower of dahlias, and has been identified lately with the choir of the Congregational church, in which his wife has also been a worker. Their departure will be greatly regretted.

The only St. Patrick's Day parade which the town boasted last Friday was that of "Butcher" Crowley of Thorndike. He had acquired an ancient one-horse shay and a horse which had seen better days, and with two companions made the round of the village, the horse and vehicle being decorated with the color deemed most patriotic for that day. Two attendants rode on horseback, and they and their steeds were also appropriately decorated. A band consisting of fife, snare and bass drums gave warning that the procession was about.

THORNDIKE.

Miss Mary Foley is ill at her home on High street.

Dr. E. F. Sullivan passed a few days this week in New York.

Mrs. Daniel Shields is in New York attending the millinery openings.

Misses Kathryn and Mary Fleming have returned from the openings in New York.

Miss Mary G. Holden is visiting her cousin, Miss Annie McDonald in Monson this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace of Church street are entertaining out-of-town friends at their home.

Miss Marion Sands, teacher in the grammar school, spent Sunday with her parents in Fitchburg.

Daniel Shea, who has been ill at his home on Main street, has recovered and is able to be out again.

Mrs. Josephine Grandfield entertained an out-of-town friend at her home on the Ware road this week.

Miss Melina Gingrau of Main street was the guest of her cousin, Miss Julia Coleman in Ware Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Thomas of Springfield spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John O'Keefe on Pine Avenue.

Mrs. Thomas Longtine Sr. and Mrs. Charles McCarthy were the guests of Mrs. Martain in Ludlow Sunday.

Miss Annie Brosnan of Amherst spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Brosnan on Main street.

Misses Ella Moriarty, Mildred Loftus and Lena Bengle passed Saturday with Miss May Miller at Blanchardville.

Miss Annie Longtine returned to Springfield Monday after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Longtine on Church street.

Jeremiah Kelley and George McKenzie went to Enfield Friday evening, where they furnished music for a dance. A number of other young people from here attended.

It would seem that the recent failure of the get-rich-quick concern which swallowed so many good dollars of Thorndike people would be an example which would keep others out of that sort of speculation, but it is rumored that there are others who have invested in much the same sort of scheme since, with the same result,—they started with money but no experience, now they have the experience but no money.

BONDSVILLE.

William Sullivan has moved his family to Holyoke.

Mrs. Michael Sullivan is ill at her home on Main street.

Miss Grace Childs is visiting friends in Waterbury, Ct.

Miss Edith Childs is spending the week visiting friends in Lowell.

Mrs. John Matthews of Palmer was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles Banister this week.

Mrs. Ladd and son Karl of Belchertown were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Collis Wednesday.

Harold Burdick has returned to his home in Monson after spending a visit with Miss Mary Woods.

The King's Daughters held a regular meeting this afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Gunn.

Miss Katherine Fenton of Springfield is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Fenton.

Dennis Murphy of Holyoke was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Timothy Shea, the first of the week.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold a meeting next Wednesday afternoon in the vestry of the M. E church.

Mr. and Mrs. James Garvey of Springfield visited Mrs. Garvey's mother, Mrs Patrick Landers, over Sunday.

On account of a broken trolley wire the 6.25 electric car which brings the mail was about one hour late yesterday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Maher of West Warren were guests of Mrs. Maher's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Shea over Sunday.

Miss Lilly Sullivan of Westfield Normal School is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sullivan on Main street.

John F. Hayes visited in Lynn and Boston over Sunday and the first of the week. During his stay in Boston he visited the automobile show.

On account of a wreck above Enfield Wednesday the 4 33 p. m. train on the Athol branch of the Boston and Albany road was delayed about two hours, not arriving in this village until 7 30.

Miss Lulu Austin has given up her school in South Belchertown and is taking a course in the Bay Path Business College in Springfield. Miss Austin's place in the school will be taken by Miss Nellie Shea.

Frank Maher, who has been baggagemaster at the B. & A. station on the Athol branch for the past year and a half, has resigned his position and taken one on the same road in Ludlow. Thomas Duffy of Palmer succeeds him in this village.

Miss Mary Fitzpatrick, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Fitzpatrick, died at her home on Main street Sunday afternoon after a short illness of inflammatory rheumatism. Besides her mother and father, she leaves two sisters, Misses Nellie and Fannie, and three brothers, George, Leon and William. The funeral was held Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock in St. Bartholomew's church, Rev. B. McKeany officiating. The bearers were Timothy Sullivan, William Sullivan, cousins of Miss Fitzpatrick, and Thomas Gloster, Edward Fitzgerald, Joseph Lusty and Michael Collins, all of this village. Burial was in the Thorndike cemetery.

THREE RIVERS.

Crimson Rambler rose bushes at J. T. Geer's Nursery.

S. W. Tweedy is ill at the Wentimissett.

Aleck Reopel has taken a position in the Palmer mill.

H. Dufore has taken a position in the Quaboag Hotel.

Reuben Saunders has taken a position with L. G Barker.

Clinton D. Frame is spending his vacation in Springfield.

George Rogers has resigned his position in the Palmer mill.

H. E. Willis is making extensive repairs on the Willis block.

Darius Grey spent Sunday with his family on Kelly street.

Miss Lillian Abare has recovered from an attack of pneumonia.

Miss Dorothy Cantill spent Sunday with her mother in Bondsville.

Miss Grace Cushing has returned to her position in the cloth room.

Frank Genard has taken a position in the cloth room of the Palmer mill.

Arthur Roberts of Springfield is visiting his parents on East Main street.

Mrs. H. K. Ferrill of Springfield spent Tuesday with Mrs. W. B. Provost.

Thomas Coogan of Lynn spent Sunday with friends at the Riverside Hotel.

Miss Hazel Hubbard returned Wednesday from a trip to Mauchester, N. H.

Alphonse Grise spent the first part of the week with his brother, Arthur Grise.

Willis A. Calkins and O. A. Maxwell spent Sunday with friends in Spencer.

William Taunebring is working in the dental office of Dr. S. B. Keith in Palmer.

Mrs. Fred Freak has moved into the tenement formerly occupied by B. L. Sargent.

James Hannivan, who has been spending the week in Albany, returned yesterday.

Miss Leah Dalrymple of Palmer spent the first part of the week with Miss Rachel Shaw.

P. Ralph Ryan returned Wednesday after a month's visit with friends in Chicago.

Leon Henrichon has resumed his duties in the Palmer mill after an illness of several weeks.

Frank K. Twiss of Orange, N. J., spent Sunday with his father, J. F. Twiss, on School street.

Euclide Poitras has moved into the house formerly occupied by H. Rahenevitz on the Palmer road.

Miss Josephine Hobron, who has been spending several months in New London, returned home Tuesday.

The new house erected by Miss Mary Twiss on East Main street is completed and will be ready for occupancy April 1st.

Paul Rollett has recovered from an operation performed by Dr. D. B. Sullivan of Bondsville and Dr. J. P. Schneider of Palmer.

Prof. H. C. Newell of Demorest, Ga., spoke in the Union church last Sunday. He gave an interesting account of his work in the Piedmont College.

The ice on the river which in former years has caused much trouble in the early spring has nearly all gone, causing but little trouble and damage.

The subject of Rev. D. C. York's sermon next Sunday morning will be "The True Riches." In the evening Mr. York will speak on "Life's Blessings and Cursings."

The T. R. P. C. S. will meet in the rooms of the A. O. U. W. next Monday evening and all the members are urged to be present as important business is to be transacted.

At the Union Evangelical church next Sunday morning Rev. Charles Olmstead will preach on "The Great Preacher and His Opportunities." In the evening Samuel Paul of Springfield will assist and there will be special music by Miss Lena Warriner and G. C. Rycroft.

W. F. Fillmore has moved the building in which are his office and a storeroom to a place near the bridge on the Quaboag river. He has also moved the building, which was formerly the office of L. G. Barker, to the place where the storeroom formerly stood. Mr. Fillmore will remodel the old building near the bridge and convert it into a store.

WILBRAHAM.

The winter term of Wesleyan Academy closes to-morrow.

The Mission Study Club met this afternoon with Mrs. A. L. Howe.

Miss Dora M. Merrick returns Monday to Greenwich, where she is teaching.

The public schools opened Monday for the spring term after a vacation of two weeks.

Miss Corrine E. Pease of Westfield normal school is spending a ten-days' vacation at her home.

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Miss Agnes Blackwell of East Hardwick has been engaged to teach in grade 9, commencing her duties Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scofield and daughter, Mrs. Hooker of Springfield, have moved into the Bliss house on South Main street.

The school board have organized with Dr. H. G. Webber chairman and Miss Evanore O. Beebe secretary. The building committee for the two new schoolhouses that are to be built have organized with Dr. H. G. Webber chairman and Willis Cutler secretary.

The following students of Wesleyan Academy have been chosen for the prize declamations next June: Upham contest, Misses Sherman, Carman, Beardsley, Copeley and Ball; Messrs. R. Hitchcock, Brady, Butcher, Hamilton and Hitchcock. Bond contest, Misses Bolles, Williams, L Jagger, Maynard and Coons; Messrs. Lussier, Robb and Folsom

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In Hampden, 22d, by Rev. C. B. Bliss, Henry Chapin and Flora Butterworth.

DIED.

In Bondsville, 19th, Mary Fitzpatrick, 17.
In Ware, 19th, Thomas F. Sherman, 74
In Ware, 20th, Mrs. Ada L. Whitaker, wife of Warren C. Carrick.
In Belchertown, 22d, Timothy Kenfield, 82.
In Wales, 18th, Mrs. Lodisa Bramen, 79.
In West Warren, 23d, William J. Teagan, Jr., 14
In Warren, 20th, Miss Alma Liedes, 21.
In Springfield, 22d, William Whalen, 18, of North Wilbraham.
In Westfield, 21st, Mrs. Carrie Moore Janes, formerly of Brimfield.

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Palmer, Mass, March 17th, 1905. 51-2

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE R. PALMER NATIONAL BANK, at Palmer, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, March 14, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$175,689.95
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		227.61
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		100,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		3,750.00
Bonds, securities, etc		158,649.77
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		6,950.93
Due from approved reserve agents		27,684 61
Notes of other National banks		1,904.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		218.43
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	$16,217 85	
Legal-tender notes	6,500.00	22,717.85
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		5,000.00
TOTAL		$502,793.15

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$100,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	12,567.61
National bank notes outstanding	99,600.00
Due to other National Banks	815.54
Dividends unpaid	12.00
Individual deposits subject to check	230,523.13
Demand certificates of deposit	39,045.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	229.87
TOTAL	$502,793.15

State of Massachusetts, County of Hampden, ss:

I, Chas. B. Fiske, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHAS. B. FISKE, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of March, 1905.

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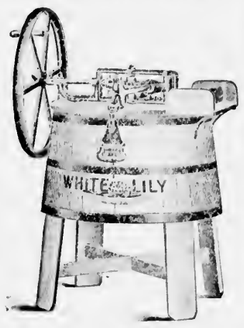

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Monson News.

Academy Notes.

Philo will hold a regular meeting this evening.

Francis McQuaid, '05, has left school and will study in Hartford, Ct

The entire school attended the lecture given at the chapel Monday afternoon.

Baseball practice will commence next week in the cage at Cushman Hall. F. F. Dunfield will act as coach for the coming season.

Lino held a special meeting Monday noon and elected Harry Oldfield,'06, president of the Lino society to succeed Francis McQuaid, who has left school.

Tuesday afternoon at the physical laboratory in the presence of many astonished students, Ralph Purinton, '06, succeeded in drinking three and one-half quarts of water in less than eight minutes.

The public meeting of the Lino and Philo societies will take place next Friday evening, when the following program will be rendered: Music, Miss Allen; trio, Misses Johnson, McKenna, Cushman; duet, Miss McKenna, Miss Sault; Lino paper, Arthur Graves; recitations, Miss Fitzgerald, John English; dialogue, Miss Beckwith, Harold Briggs; address by the Philo president, Miss Fitzgerald; address by the Lino president, Harry Oldfield; Debate, "Resolved, that the training of the youth of Greece is better than that of the present day;" affirmative, Howard Page, Miss Kate Cushman; negative, William Hynes, Miss Fannie Brainerd.

The Mock Trial given by the members of the Lino society was successfully carried out last Friday evening, and it was the opinion of all present that the meeting was by far the best one held this year. The charge was as follows: That on the evening of Feb. 22 Charles A. Forbes stole a pony belonging to Henry Flynt and concealed it in the Monson Library, where he is janitor. He was defended by Francis McQuaid, and the commonwealth was represented by William Hynes. The court was called at 6.45, and the jury was impaneled. Judge Butterworth appointed Mr. Dunfield foreman of the jury. The witnesses for the defense and for the commonwealth were then sworn in. After the opening address to the jury by the lawyer for the commonwealth, the witnesses for both sides were examined and cross examined. The prosecuting attorney closed the case by summing up the evidence which had been brought forth. The case was then given to the jury, who in about half an hour returned a verdict of "Guilty." The Philo society attended the meeting.

Ladies' Minstrel a Success.

Memorial Hall was filled to its utmost capacity and a large number were compelled to stand Monday night, when the young ladies of St. Patrick's church appeared for the first time in minstrelsy. The show was a decided success, from the time the curtain rose on the overture until it was rung down at the close.

Miss Joana V. Cantwell, supervisor of music in the public schools, was the interlocutor and filled that place in a pleasing manner. The soloists were Misses Margaret Joyce, Marie Leahy, Ella Crowley, Mary McKenna, Leonora Looney, Laura Johnston and Anna Fitzgerald. Between each song a number of local hits were cracked at the expense of different people in town, most of whom were in the audience. The first half closed with the song, "For Old Virginia's Sake," by the company. In the second part, which was principally of a musical nature, the honors were carried off by Misses McKenna and Johnston in a duet, and the Moffatt sisters of Holyoke in a song and dance. Miss Margaret Kearns made a hit in "Lindy Lou," as did the Moffat sisters in "Back to Baltimore." A tambourine dance, double sword dance, and sailors' hornpipe were also features of the second part. Prof. Kelly, who had charge of the show, brought with him a number of his Holyoke pupils who added no little to the entertainment. The whole performance showed hard work and careful training and deserved the large audience which was present.

Fourth Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Methodist Episcopal church was held Sunday afternoon, the meeting being called to order by Presiding Elder W. G. Richardson of Springfield. The following officers and committees were elected: Trustees, Horace Squier, B. A. Day, W. H. Underwood, A. W. Leonard, Daniel Watson, Frank M. King, C. A. Bradway, Lewis R. Rogers and F. A. Moore; stewards, Horace Squier, William A. Charles, A. Bodurtha, Henry Bugbee, George L. Keeney, C. A. Bradway, E. J. Osborne, Myron E. Wright, George H. Thompson, Fred J. Flynt, R. A. Beckwith, Thomas Johnson and Handel Beech; committee on missions, Julia Smith, Sophia Ross and Lucinda White; church extension, William Charles, F. L. Bliss and Claude Duncan; Sunday school, H. E. Bugbee, H. G. Rogers and Mary Nelson; tracts, Lydia Eaton, F. J. Flynt and R. A. Beckwith; music, George L. Keeney and Frank M. King; temperance, B. A. Day, Horace Squier and Handel Beech; secretary, C. A. Bradway; treasurer, Myron E. Wright. The committee's report showed a prosperous year. The pastor's report showed a gain of 25 new members the past year It was a unanimous vote to request the presiding elder to secure the return of Rev. A. B. Gifford for another year.

Monson Thief Detecting Association Dissolves.

The Monson Thief Detecting Association has dissolved. It was organized in 1867, but for many years has been so inactive that few of the younger citizens even knew of its existence. The purpose of this association was the detection and punishment of thieves and other criminals, and at the time of its organization was composed of the most prominent citizens of the town. Each member contributed to the fund, and when any crime was committed money was furnished by the assosciation for investigation and prosecution. It did some valuable work as long as its services were needed, but as the times progressed its services were needed less and less. At the present time the only living members of the organization are G. E. Grout, E. F. Morris, Dr. G. E Fuller and E. P. Newton. The association has over $300 in the bank, and the four men held a meeting Tuesday and discussed the best disposition to be made of the money. It was decided to disband, and offer the money to the town to be used toward the cost of building a new tomb in the No. 1 cemetery. This disposition will be made of it if the town accepts the offer. If not, some other disposition will be made of it.

Some Town Report Figures.

The copy for the annual town report is in the hands of the printer, and it is expected the books will be ready for the voters the latter part of next week. The following figures, taking from the forthcoming document, will give some idea of the work of the year:

	Appropriation	Expended
Liquor Prosecution,	$ 500	
Discount on Taxes,	1400	$1,289
G. A. R.,	100	100
Library,	300	300
Sidewalks,	200	336
Cemeteries,	400	638
Street Lights,	1,600	1,613
Fire Department,	300	568
Stone Crusher,	700	717
Highways,	4,500	4,658
Permanent Road,	1,000	1,677
Poor,	1,700	860
Miscellaneous Account,	3,000	3,202
Fire Alarm,	2,500	2,735
School Superintendent,	1,050	1,050
Teachers' Salaries,	6,000	5,739
High School Tuition,	2,700	2,569
School Fuel,	600	904
School Books and Supplies,	900	898
Janitor Service,	525	585
School Transportation,	400	326
School House Repairs,	600	1,505
School Incidentals,	150	155
School Committee Service,	150	150
Balance Cash in Treasury,		7,500

Democratic Nominations.

At the Democratic caucus held in Memorial Hall last evening the following nominations were made: Moderator, N. A. Bugbee; clerk, James Cahill; selectmen and overseers of the poor, John P. Herlihy, Herbert M. Smith, William H. Cavanaugh; town clerk, Carlos L. Peck; treasurer, T. L Cushman; assessors, E. R. Sisson, Harry M. Sutcliffe, John J. Lynch; school committee, G. T. Gough, M. F. Moore; water commissioner, E P. Donovan; cemetery commissioner, Carlos L. Peck; fence viewers, Richard W. Hayes, James B. Tupper, C. P. Lyon; auditors, Frank L Bliss 2d, Joseph Coyle.

John Pendergast is ill with tonsilitis.

J. F. Butterworth is spending a few days at Marion.

C. M. Blair of Warren visited relatives here this week.

Fred Gumm of Providence, R. I., is visiting friends here.

Dennis Murphy of Adams visited relatives here this week.

Dennis McMahon is visiting relatives at Stafford Springs, Ct.

Mrs. M. F. Brown of Ware visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. A. B Gifford and children are visiting relatives at Essex.

William Warner of Amherst is visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. E G. Perkins of Springfield visited relatives here Wednesday.

Rev. A. B. Gifford went to Northampton Wednesday to attend a funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Needham spent Sunday with relatives at Westfield.

Mrs. N. M. Pratt has returned from a several days' stay in New York.

Henry O'Brien has taken a position in Holden & Fuller's mill in Palmer.

Henry Needham of Park avenue is moving to Wales, where he has a position.

Monson lodge of Odd Fellows will hold a smoke-talk in their lodge rooms Monday night.

Mrs. John Cross of Chelsea is visiting her mother, Mrs. Frank Beach on State street.

The Republicans will hold their caucus in Memorial Hall this evening at 7.45 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parsons were called to Springfield Sunday by the death of a relative.

Mrs. E. K. Flynt has gone to Grandwood, N. J., to visit her daughter, Mrs. Charles F. Blood.

There will be an Episcopal service in Workman Hall Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Mrs. H. F. Miller entertained the Century Club at her residence Wednesday afternoon.

Jason Keep has been unable to attend to his duties this week on account of trouble with his eyes.

Miss Esther R. Holmes and Miss Mabel Anderson have returned from a six-weeks' stay in Boston.

Miss Myrtle Peck of New London, Ct., is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Lucy Smith on High street.

The quarterly meeting of the Monson Savings Bank will be held Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Rev. C. C. Conner will preach at the Gage district schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss Mary Barry has returned from the Mercy hospital at Springfield, where she has been for treatment.

Rev. N. M. Pratt will preach at the Congregational church Sunday morning on "The sympathy of Jesus."

Mr. and Mrs. Mandel Swanson have returned from a three-months' visit to Mr. Swanson's home in Sweden.

The Dorcas society will serve a supper followed by an entertainment in the Congregational church parlors this evening.

The residence of S. H. Newton has been fumigated by the board of health, Mrs. Newton having recovered from diphtheria.

The Woman's Relief Corps gave a supper in Grand Army hall Wednesday night to the members of the corps and of the Grand Army post.

The Men's Assembly of the Methodist church will meet Tuesday evening, April 4th. The speaker will be Howard R. Molineux, railway mail clerk, first assistant on the Boston and Albany line.

Dr. Wilfred Grenfel gave a very interesting lecture on his work in Labrador, where he has been a missionary for 13 years, in the Academy chapel Monday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock. There was a good attendance.

Mrs. M A. Burt wishes information in regard to two of her books, which have been loaned or lost, "The Orcutt Girls," and "Sue Orcutt," and will appreciate their return or such information as will lead to their being found.

Miss Mabel Tucker, stenographer in the Boston office of the B. and A. railroad, has been given two months' vacation on account of ill health. Miss Tucker is contemplating a trip to Chicago, hoping the rest and change may benefit her.

The engagement is announced of Miss Sara Holmes, daughter of Mrs. L. F. Holmes of New York, to Mr. George B Watts of the same city, a member of the stock exchage firm of Goodbody & Co. The wedding will take place in New York in May.

Lysander Nevins is suffering from some severe burns on his right hand and face. He was heating some linseed oil in a bottle over a stove, when the bottle became overheated and burst, covering him with the oil and burning him badly. He was attended by Dr. C. W. Jackson.

Mrs. Carrie M. Janes, 68, died suddenly Tuesday at the home of her son, Dr. Geo. H. Janes in Westfield. Mrs. Janes was well-known to many Monson people, having spent much time with her niece, Mrs. W. A. Needham. An account of her life will be found in the Brimfield items.

Several Monson people are planning to attend the Boston Symphony concert at Springfield Monday night and the last car will be run through to Monson. Another party will go in Tuesday night to see Maxine Elliott, in "Her Own Way," and the last car will run through to Monson.

The second of the farmers' meetings was held in the Silver Street chapel Tuesday and was well attended. In the morning there was an address on "Cattle Feeds and Balanced Rations" and at the afternoon meeting "Selection of Cattle for Breeding and the Dairy." The speaker was S. H Reed of West Brookfield. A lunch was served at noon.

Day Spring lodge of Masons entertained their lady friends at their lodge rooms in the bank block Tuesday night. There were about 60 present, and all enjoyed a pleasant evening. The winners at whist were, first prize, Mr. and Mrs. R F. Bradway; second prize, William Neilson and Mrs. C. M. Gage. Music was furnished by Orcutt's orchestra of five pieces The committee in charge were C. M. Gage, F. L. Bliss and G. H. Seymour.

Arthur Washington, the wonderful blind pianist, will give a recital in Memorial Hall Monday evening at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Methodist church. Mr. Washington will be assisted by Prof. W. V. Abeel, director of the Hartford Conservatory of Music, and Miss Louise Richards, soprano soloist of New York. The League incur considerable risk in the expense of procuring this entertainment, and it is hoped there will be a liberal patronage.

A supper and entertainment will be held in the Methodist church this evening. At the entertainment, which follows the supper, the church orchestra will furnish music. The members are: William Holdsworth, leader; violins, Mrs. A. H. Orcutt, Wilfred Beech, Henry Billings, William Holdsworth; trombone, Fred Sweet; cornet, A. B. Gifford; bass-viol, A. H. Orcutt; pianist, Edith Beech. Miss Florence Moore will sing and Miss Sarah Sweet and Mr. Maguire will give readings.

The annual meeting of the Quaboag Country Club was held at the clubhouse Wednesday evening and the following officers were elected: Board of governors, R. H. Cushman, G. S. Holden, H. W. Holbrook; president, G. S. Holden, vice president, R. H. Cushman; secretary, Louis Brainerd; treasurer, George H. Seymour; assistant treasurer, H. W. Holbrook; greens committee, R. H. Cushman, G. S Holden, L. C. Flynt, H. W. McGregory, G. H. Seymour, R. P. Cushman, J. C. Parsons; ladies' committee, Miss Alice Morris, Mrs. A. J. Purinton; auditors, G. S. Holden, H. W. McGregory, and the chairman of the greens committee. The treasurer's report showed a surplus in the treasury. At the close of the business meeting a short time was devoted to whist.

Miss Rebecca Berry, violinist, of Springfield will give a pupils' recital in the Academy chapel next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, to which all interested are cordially invited. The program:

"Winterlied."	Ad Grunwald
String Orchestra.	
Finale of Symphony No. 2	Hayden
Miss Mabel Fuller.	
"Loin du Bal."	Ernest Gillett
Mr. Thomas Faulkner.	
"Strauss Waltzes."	air by Rivi-King
Miss Howard.	
"Legende."	Wrenrawski
Miss Berry.	
"Stephanie Gavotte."	Czubulka
Mr. Robert Wilder.	
"Pastorale."	T. Beazley
Miss Katharine Warner.	
"Flower Song."	Lange
Mr. Henry Billings.	
March.	C. W. Krogman
Miss Adela Rochford.	
Melody.	Eranz Wolfhart
Orchestra.	
Fifth Air.	Danch
Mr. Clifton Hodge.	

BELCHERTOWN.

George Slauter of Westfield was in town Monday to celebrate his 84th birthday at the home of his brother, P. T. Slauter of North Main street.

Miss Kitchel Adkins entertained a few of her friends at a St. Patrick's luncheon last Friday afternoon. The rooms were prettily decorated with green and yellow, and favors, consisting of shamrock pins in neat boxes of candy, were given each guest.

The firemen's ball last Friday evening proved to be a most successful event, about 40 couples being present. Music was furnished by the academy of music quartet of Northampton. People were present from Ware, Enfield, Palmer and Williamsburg.

The Woman's Relief Corps held an interesting business session Monday afternoon. Two members were initiated and received by the corps and the applications of three other members were acted upon. The entertainment committee of the post decided to hold a social next Monday evening. Admittance at the door will be an old rubber shoe or boot or five cents. Supper will be served by the corps at 6 30.

A regular meeting of the Euchre Club was held Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Thurber, 14 tables being occupied. Mrs. Charles L. Holland, Mrs. R Gould, Mrs. A. F. Warren, Dr. Perry, Guy C Allen Jr. and Clayton Greene won the prizes. The following officers were elected: President, J. W. Jackson; vice president, Guy C. Allen Jr.; secretary and treasurer, H. A. Hopkins. The club passed a vote of thanks to Mr. Hopkins for his efficient services for many years. He has declined, however, to serve.

A meeting of the Holland Club was held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. A. L. Kendall with a good attendance. Mrs. Robert L. Bridgman read a paper on "The arts and crafts movement," which was followed by an informal talk on the same subject by Mrs. Edward S. Thompson. Mrs. Thomson also had a paper on basketry, illustrated by designs, the work of Miss Lucy D. Thomson, with baskets from Alaska and many by the home workers. Miss Edith Towne and Mrs. Hodgkins were voted in as members, and Mrs. A. L. Kendall was appointed to investigate the condition of, and see to placing in good repair, the settees lately given the society by the guild.

WARE.

Death of Thomas F. Sherman.

Thomas F. Sherman, 74, died suddenly from heart trouble about 9 30 Sunday night at his home in West Ware. While his health in the last two years had not been as good as formerly, he had been able to work and go about all the time. He was around as usual Sunday, but after going to bed complained of pain that became intense, rendering him unconscious. Medical aid was summoned, but Mr. Sherman died soon after and before a physician could arrive. Mr. Sherman was a native of Ware, and was born in the same farmhouse where he had lived continuously for the past 34 years. He went to California about 1850, when just out of his teens, and lived there during the gold fever period. After returning to Ware he lived for a time on the farm, and in the '60s married Sarah Jane Hall of Ware, who survives him. He also leaves two children, Fred H., who is married and lives at the farm, and Lucy, wife of Frank J. Hamilton of Palmer. Mr. Sherman engaged in the meat business in Thorndike for a time, but in 1870 he sold out to Clark & Hastings of Palmer and removed to his old home. Since then he had been one of the most highly respected citizens of Ware. The funeral was held at the house Wednesday afternoon.

The married people's whist club held the last meeting of the season Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. G Lincoln.

Calvin Hitchcock observed his 88th birthday Wednesday On Tuesday he sat up in a chair for ten minutes, this being the first time he has been able to do so since his fall two months ago.

Ware division of Hibernians will clear at least $100 from "The Shamrock and the Rose," given in the opera house last Friday night, and the proceeds may reach $125 after expenses have been paid.

Mrs. Ada L. Whitaker, 50, wife of Warren C. Carrick, died Monday afternoon from a complication of diseases, after being in poor health for a number of years. Besides her husband, she leaves a mother. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 2 at her late home on School street.

A party of eight prominent men from Chicopee entertained Ware friends at the Storrs House Saturday evening. Landlord Liversage served the banquet at 8, and several hours were passed in a social manner. Mayor A. E. Taylor and the new city marshal, W. H. Hamilton, were of the party.

William H. Woodhead was taken to Northampton Monday for a year's stay in the house of correction. His sentence of six months, imposed last November and at the time suspended, was ordered revoked by Judge H. C. Davis and six months more was ordered for additional sentence under the complaint made against him for being drunk Sunday.

The report of Tax Collector Frederick W. Farrar shows that of a total levy for 1904 of $90 159, he has turned over to the treasurer $89,632 leaving only $527 uncollected. Of this amount still due $402 is a Hampshire and Worcester street railway tax, which cannot be obtained just at this time, and one-half of the remainder will be collected as soon as possible.

The following have been appointed by the selectmen as election officers for Monday, the Republican names being given first: Checkers, Archie Irwin, Louis S. Charbonneau; counters, Joseph St Onge, H. H. Turner, Edward W. Smith, Charles M. Lindsey, Edward McBride, Elgin R Foster, William B. Kelley, Moise Deslaurier; ballot clerks, Henry O Robinson, Hormisdas St. Onge; assistant ballot clerks, Alton J. Bonnoyer, Thomas O'Rourke; ballot-box keeper, Philip Deslauriers

The overseers of the poor, who have been advertising this week for a warden and matron for their almshouse, have suddenly changed their minds again and Wednesday unanimously voted to engage the present warden, O. R. Bruce, for another year's service at the almshouse. The reason for this action is not known. Since B. F. Davis and J. T. Casey wished to reëngage Mr. Bruce in the first place, but wanted a unanimous choice, it is to be presumed that the third member, F. W. Farrar underwent a change of heart on the matter. It is not understood that Mr. Bruce is to have any increase in salary, but some allowance for help was made.

BRIMFIELD.

Interesting Lecture.

Last Friday evening was a most enjoyable one to Brimfield people, when Dr. S. A. Fisk and Oscar F. Brown gave a description with the stereopticon of their tour in Scotland and Ireland. The town was thoroughly represented, nearly 200 being present, in response to the general and hearty invitation given by Dr. Fisk. Mr. Brown, until now, has always lived in Brimfield and been identified with town affairs, and the story of his trip has a peculiar interest for his townspeople. He came from Boston for the occasion and gave a well-arranged, instructive and enjoyable talk. There were about 90 scenes well selected as representative ones, and the slides gratuitously made by Louis S. Brown of Boston were very successful. The stereopticon was smoothly managed by F Edgar Brown. Dr. Fisk, who has recently bought the stereopticon and planned this as one of a series of exhibitions for the benefit of Brimfield people, presided over the gathering and also supplemented some of Mr. Brown's descriptions. By his arrangement the pupils of Academy were present with their teachers in a body and children from other schools occupied the front seats with them. His plan of having American patriotic hymns and two Scotch songs sung was carried out, the Academy leading under direction of Miss Crowell, teacher of music. At the beginning Dr. Fisk aptly said that the entertainment was truly a Brimfield entertainment as the pictures had been collected and the talk would be given by Mr Brown, that the slides had been made by Mr. Brown, and the stereopticon would be managed by Mr. Brown. The assembly was highly appreciative and gave hearty applause to a number of scenes, including the last one which, as a surprise, represented the close of the tour, a fine view of Brimfield. A hearty vote of thanks was given to Dr. Fisk and Mr. Brown at the close. A little later Dr. Fisk proposes to give an "Evening in England."

Death of a Former Resident.

Mrs. Carrie Moore Janes, formerly of Brimfield, died at Westfield Monday at the home of her son, Dr. George H. Janes. About two months ago Mrs Janes suffered a slight shock but recovered, and was in comfortable health until about two weeks ago, when she was taken ill with heart trouble and other complications. Mrs. Janes was born in Holland and was married to Edwin A. Janes of East Brimfield August 13, 1857. Mr. and Mrs Janes moved from the farm in East Brimfield to Westfield some years ago and not long after that the death of Mr. Janes occurred. Mrs. Janes was an active member of society in Brimfield. She was a woman of marked efficiency, and her cordial, hospitable spirit gave her warm friendships. She was a member of the Second Congregational church in Brimfield Center and was very loyal in its support and constant in attendance. She leaves one son at whose home she died. The body was brought to Brimfield yesterday for burial.

Annual Town Meeting.

The annual town meeting was held Monday, when the following officers were elected and appropriations made: Moderator, G. M. Hitchcock; clerk and treasurer, Minor Corbin; selectmen, C. S. Tarbell, E. H. Davenport, Orrin Hicks; overseers of the poor, R. V. Sawin, Samuel Adams, C. C. Brown; assessors, Charles C. Brown, Cheney Newton, Clarence B Brown; school committee for three years, R. V. Sawin; for one year, Samuel Eaton; auditors, A. P. Brown, O. E. Parker; tax collector, C. S. Tarbell; tree warden, G. M. Hitchcock; constables, Orrin Hicks, W. C. Davenport, Bert Campbell; library trustee for three years, C B Brown; for one year, Mrs. Martha Streeter. Appropriations: Library, the dog fund and $200; for enlarging cemetery, $150. The meeting was adjourned for one week, when other appropriations will be made. It was voted to hold future meetings one week later in March. Liquor license: Yes, 11; no, 40.

Miss Clara Moulton has bought of Dr. M. A. Potter the house recently owned by James Read Brown.

Gentleman's Night was observed by the local Grange Tuesday. There was an oyster supper from 6 30 to 8, after which there was dancing.

The debating club or lyceum has been revived at the Academy and there was an interesting debate last week. It has been decided to have the paper, formerly known as the "Round Table," consisting of contributions of various kinds, started again.

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BOWLING.

Three Rivers 2318, Bondsville 2049.

The Three Rivers bowling team defeated a team from Bondsville on Tufts's alleys last Friday night. The score:

Three Rivers.				
Upham,	189	160	128	477
Lavene,	138	126	167	431
Trickett,	164	127	148	439
Frame,	167	127	149	489
Story,	122	204	156	482
Total,	780	790	748	2318
Bondsville.				
Hall,	110	162	89	361
Moore,	118	167	149	434
Bowler,	125	120	156	401
Holden,	112	139	116	367
Hayes,	104	197	185	486
Total,	569	785	695	2049

Otis Company 2332, Northampton 2226.

The Otis company bowling team won a match game from the Northampton team on Amazeen's alleys in Ware Saturday afternoon by 106 pins. The score:

Otis Company.				
Robertson,	147	140	134	421
Orrell,	149	151	160	460
McIlenry,	178	177	201	556
Rodgers,	175	139	171	485
McBride,	143	129	138	410
Total,	792	736	804	2332
Northampton.				
Spencer,	150	112	129	391
Fisher,	138	155	133	426
Hinds,	126	130	153	409
Collins,	144	129	136	409
Dudley,	195	216	180	591
Total,	753	742	731	2226

S. & E. 2195, Palmer Second 2106.

The Springfield and Eastern street railway team defeated the Palmer second team on Tufts's alleys Monday night in an interesting contest. The summary:

Springfield and Eastern.				
Monahan,	158	149	120	427
Fitzgerald,	143	125	126	394
Moran,	122	146	166	434
Fay,	213	151	169	533
Trainor,	110	153	144	407
Total,	746	724	725	2195
Palmer Second.				
O'Connor,	156	127	129	412
Brown,	134	147	114	395
Daley,	182	110	119	411
Burdick,	174	115	184	473
Gunn,	162	121	132	415
Total,	808	620	678	2106

Palmer 1183, Thorndike 1068.

The Palmer team defeated the Thorndikes in the first game of the second series of the candlepin league Monday night on the Thorndike alleys. The summary:

Palmer.				
Tufts,	75	78	68	221
Ahearn,	80	79	77	236
Holden,	92	85	76	253
McBride,	73	78	66	217
Roche,	83	93	80	256
Total,	403	413	367	1183
Thorndike.				
Robinson,	74	74	67	215
Lafarr,	75	68	68	211
Vasha,	72	74	61	207
Arecotte,	76	72	76	224
Riley,	69	66	76	211
Total,	366	353	348	1068

Shuttleworth's 2, McCrea's 2.

Shuttleworth's team won from McCrea's team in the six-team howling league series on Bond's alleys in Thorndike Tuesday night by 191 pins, breaking in even points. The score:

Shuttleworth's.				
Clark,	133	115	141	389
Otis,	151	113	124	388
Daley,	93	127	99	319
Longtine,	153	144	173	470
Shuttleworth,	126	155	155	436
Totals,	656	654	692	2004
McCrea's.				
Stone,	76	109	102	287
Reil,	123	153	129	405
Tabor,	90	139	115	354
Longtine,	98	124	123	345
McCrea,	147	158	127	432
Totals,	534	683	596	1813

Palmer Red Men 2244, Westfield Red Men 2182.

The Palmer Red Men defeated the Westfield Red Men at Bazata's alleys in Westfield Wednesday evening. The scores:

Palmer Red Men.				
Tufts,	141	132	138	411
Morrill,	151	165	146	462
Roche,	168	145	163	476
Keith,	138	135	159	452
Fay,	193	119	131	443
Total,	811	696	737	2244
Westfield Red Men				
Scanlon,	131	201	160	500
Miller,	132	155	108	395
Cleary,	185	169	131	485
Roach,	112	171	163	446
Ward,	89	125	142	356
Total,	649	829	734	2182

Bondsville 1206, Three Rivers 1186.

Bondsville defeated Three Rivers by three points in the candlepin league on Tufts's alleys in Palmer Wednesday evening. The summary:

Bondsville.				
Moore,	81	72	89	242
Moriarty,	87	84	81	252
Sharratt,	77	81	75	233
Hayes,	85	73	75	283
Bowler,	77	88	81	246
Totals,	407	398	401	1206
Three Rivers.				
Abare,	66	66	78	210
Vlent,	85	79	90	254
Provost,	69	71	74	214
Story,	66	90	91	247
Burnette,	87	85	89	261
Totals,	373	391	422	1186

Lean Men 4, Fat Men 0.

The lean men's team defeated the fat men's team on Bond's alleys in Thorndike Wednesday evening by 424 pins. The score:

Lean Men.				
Furkey,	117	134	155	406
Robinson,	136	133	158	427
Arecotte,	134	106	149	389
Shuttleworth,	168	159	118	445
Clark,	144	140	111	395
Totals,	669	672	691	2052
Fat Men.				
Moran,	66	76	67	209
Norton,	137	132	153	422
Stokes,	98	90	90	278
Keefe,	109	121	124	354
Hurley,	124	123	118	365
Totals,	534	542	552	1628

Palmer Firemen 1877, Butchers 1730.

The firemen beat the butchers by four points last night on Tufts's alleys. The score:

Firemen.				
Fuller,	78	79	89	246
Parker,	117	153	145	415
Wilcox,	156	113	117	386
Summers,	176	157	152	485
Learned,	109	125	111	345
Total,	636	627	614	1877
Butchers.				
Stacy,	91	128	107	326
Kempton,	140	106	142	388
Shaw,	142	113	102	357
Thompson,	89	94	119	302
Gunn,	107	111	139	357
Total,	569	552	609	1730

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NORTH WILBRAHAM.

William Whalen, 18, died in the Mercy hospital in Springfield Wednesday afternoon after a five-weeks' illness with typhoid fever. Whalen was born in Mittineague, and was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Whalen of North Wilbraham. He was a member of Palmer aerie of Eagles, having joined the order about three months ago. He was employed by the Collins Manufacturing Associates. He leaves, besides his parents, four younger brothers, Joseph, John, Roger and Leo. The funeral was held from St. Cecelia's church this morning and burial was in Mittineague.

WALES.

Birthday Celebration.

The following, from a recent issue of the Ocala, Fla., Banner, will be of interest to residents of Wales:

On Monday the family of Mr. H. E. Steel joined with him in the celebration of his 71st birthday.

A crowd of twenty-two people, mostly northern visitors, who are spending the winter on Lake Weir, provided with baskets, boarded the steamer "Della" and made a tour of the lake. The boat was beautifully decorated with flags, bunting and violets. When the hour for dinner approached a long table and benches were so arranged that every guest was seated, and a splendid dinner enjoyed.

All drank Mr. Steel's health and wished him many pleasant birthdays.

The day as well as the ride was lovely, and the celebration passed off most pleasantly. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hoyt and Mr. Frank B. Hoyt of Cambridge, N. Y.; Mrs. Nellie Walbridge, Mrs. Martha J. Ricketts, Miss Leona Steel and Mrs. William B. Parker of Wales, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fosnot, Robert Fosnot and Miss Della Fosnot of Keosanqua, Iowa,; Mrs. J. M. Freeman and Mr. Lawrence Freeman of Indianapolis, Ind.; Mr. Ephriam G Barr of Spencer, Mass ; Miss Hattie L Gerald of Brookfield, Mass.; Dr. H. E. Beach of Clarksville, Tenn ; Mr. J. F. Steel of West Hartford, Ct.; Mr. P. J. Coates of South Lake Weir; Mrs. C. C. Clements of Weir Park; Misses Maggie and Eunice Mixson of Ocklawaha; Mrs Ida Mitchell of South Lake Weir and Mr. H. E Steel of Wales, Mass., in whose honor the party was given.

Was Found Dead.

Mrs. Lodisa Bramen, 79, was found dead in bed last Saturday afternoon. She had been ill several weeks with the grippe and heart disease, but had recovered sufficiently to be around the house. Mrs. Bramen had lived alone for a number of years. About noon Saturday Warren Matthews called at the house to leave some groceries and Mrs. Bramen was apparently as well as usual. About 3 Dr. Ross called to see her and found her dead on her bed, she evidently having lain down to rest and passed away without a struggle. Mrs. Bramen was born in Wales and spent the most of her life on the place where she died. She was of a quiet, unassuming disposition, and was highly respected. She leaves one sister, Mrs. Susan Needham of Utica, N. Y., a niece, Mrs. Abby Needham, and a nephew, Fayette Needham of Wales. The funeral was held from her late residence Monday, Rev. E B Dolan officiating, and burial was in the family lot on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Flynt of Monson visited friends in town one day this week.

Miss Grace Bailey of Natick and Mrs. Belle Cummings of Syracuse were in town this week to attend the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Bramen.

The horse of Andrew J. Royce fell in front of the post office Wednesday and was unable to get up Dr. Prew of Southbridge was summoned and found that the animal had spinal meningitis. It was removed to C. G. Thompson's barn, where it remains in a critical condition.

BASKETBALL.

Ware 27, North Brookfield 22.

The Ware high school basketball team won from North Brookfield in a rough game in Ware Saturday afternoon by a score of 27 to 22. The first half ended 14 to 13 in favor of the visitors, but even the closeness of the score fails to show how hard-fought was the contest all the time. This is the last game of the season for the Ware team. The line-up:

Ware High.		North Brookfield High.
Harrington, l f,	r g,	Herlihy
Brannigan, r f,	l g,	Sullivan
Clark, c,	c,	McCarty
Skiffington, Davis, l g,	r f,	McNulty, Kelliher
Ryan, r g,	l f,	Quill

Score, Ware High 27, North Brookfield High 22. Goals from fouls, Brannigan 5, Clark 3, Harrington 2, Skiffington, Ryan, Herlihy 3, Sullivan 3, Quill 2, McCarthy, McNulty, Kelliher. Goals from fouls, Brannigan 2, Clark. Referee, "Tom" Riley.

Fraternity Notes.

The meeting of the Foresters, which should have been held last Tuesday night, will be held next Tuesday night. Important business is to be transacted and a good attendance is desired.

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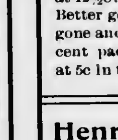

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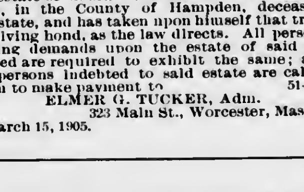

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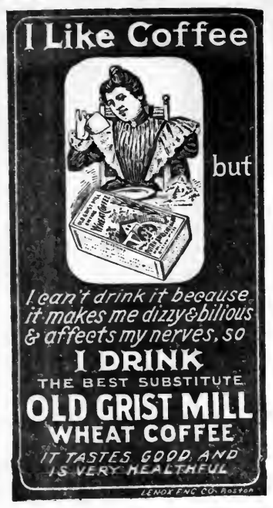

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"You ought to have something for a rainy day." "I do, but the trouble is the rainy days come too often."—New York Herald.

Jack—"Were you moved when the old gentleman said you could never marry his daughter?" Tom—"Yes. I was moved halfway across the sidewalk."

Lady—"Very healthy place, is it? Have you any idea what the death rate is here?" Caretake—"Well, mum, I can't 'zactly say, but its about one apiece all 'round."

Trimming sails—"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torking, "how do they trim the sails of a yacht?" "Why—er—they just trim 'em, that's all." "I know. But what kind of trimming do they use."—Washington Star.

"My husband is getting to be a scientific whist player." "Is he? I've been wondering lately what made him look as if there was not much more left in the world that was worth trying for."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Policeman (to children playing on a grass plot)—"Don't you see that sign, 'Keep off the grass?'" Chorus—"Yes, sir, Mister Policeman, and we've been trying to keep it off but it grows so fast and we have so little time to play on it, we can't drive it away."

Mr. Popinjay—"How did you like my acting at our dramatic entertainment?" Lady Critical—"Well, I don't think you made the most of your opportunities." Mr. Popinjay—"You don't think so, eh?" Lady Critical—"No. You had several opportunities to get off the stage much sooner than you did!"—London Opinion.

"Gosh all hemlock!" snorted Uncle Silas, backing away from the door. "What is the trouble, sir?" queried the footman. "I thought I was gittin' in th' ballroom, an' I come within one of buttin' right in thar to th' ladies' dressin' room." "That is not the ladies' dressin' room," reassured the footman. "It is the ballroom."—Houston Post.

"Leonidas!" exclaimed Mr. Meekton's wife on his return from a journey. "I am at a loss to understand your conduct when we parted. I said good-by to you." "Yes, Henrietta." "Why didn't you say good-by in response?" "I was just about to do so, Henrietta, but I checked myself. I was afraid you would accuse me of trying to have the last word again."

Senator Tillman tells a story of an old negro whom he knew, and who was taken quite ill and called in a colored doctor. After a week a white doctor was called in, there having been no improvement in the man's condition. Soon after arriving the doctor felt the old man's pulse and then examined his tongue. "Did yonr other doctor take yonr temperature?" was the next question he asked. "I don't know, replied the darkey; "I hain't missed nuthin' but my watch as yit."

ISLE OF LOVE

By CECILIA A. LOIZEAUX

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Ned Cramer shoved the little canoe into the water and waited a moment, the tying rope in his hand. While he waited he looked at Anne Prescott, who was standing on the very edge of the wharf reading a letter. Anne's dress was of cerulean blue linen, and the setting sun made her hair red gold. Finally Ned spoke, albeit the picture was rarely pretty and appealed to him.

"Ready, Anne?" he called.

"All right!" said Anne, but she didn't move, and Ned waited some more patiently, for he knew he was soon to have his innings and was in no hurry to take the bat. But when he spoke the second time he said firmly:

"Come, Anne."

Anne tore the letter in two, threw it into the water and came to the little bark, where she settled herself Indian fashion on her knees in the bushess end of the canoe. She held it steadily while he stepped in and bestowed his long length of limb opposite; then she let the boat drift while she rolled up her cerulean blue sleeves. It was one of Anne's peculiarities that she always did the paddling herself. It was not merely that the attitude and motion were becoming to her, though she was aware of her good points, like most well balanced girls. It was simply that she preferred having the men at a disadvantage—at her mercy, as it were. They always looked awkward with nothing to do, and it seemed hard for them to keep up the conversation.

Ned Cramer was a little different. He always made himself supremely comfortable, and, while he didn't look at her as much as most of the fellows did, his glance always put her on her mettle.

The quick strokes of her paddle sent them rapidly downstream. When they reached the first bend they passed the letter, which was skimming along the surface.

"We'll go down to the island and see how long it will take for the letter to get there," said Anne, and Ned assented lazily. He lit a cigarette and smoked awhile in silence. When he spoke his words were, as usual, to the point.

"When are you going to marry me, Anne?"

Anne, elaborately surprised, held her paddle in midair in a charming pose for a moment; then it dropped into the water with a splash.

"I have no present intention of marrying you at all," she said.

"Then it's a good time to form an intention. I'll help you." He smiled persuasively. "Make it October. Fall weddings are so pretty, and that will give you two months to burn all your old love letters and make your good resolutions."

The blood rose under the tan on her cheeks, but her only answer was a vigorous and renewed paddling. Ned threw away the stub of his cigarette and felt in his hip pocket for his tobacco pouch. If he was nervous he did not show it.

"Shall we say October, then?" he queried, adding with a note of tenderness in his voice: "You have made me very happy, Anne. You will not regret"—

"Well, of all the cool impudence I ever heard!" gasped Anne. "I wouldn't marry you if—if"— She stopped, exasperated.

"If you didn't love me," he finished for her.

"I hate you!" she boiled. "This is six times you have made that insane assertion this summer. Love you! I act as if I loved you, do I?" She stopped paddling and looked at him. Her eyes blazed, and he thought she hadn't looked so pretty since the last time she had refused him.

"No," he said; "you act as if you didn't, but I know you do." He looked serious. "Why, it stands to reason, Anne, that you love me or you wouldn't get so mad when I tell you about it."

"Ned Cramer," she blazed out, "if you ever try to make love to me again I'll—I'll make you sorry! Now, you either talk about something else or keep quiet."

She had evidently forgotten about her intention of reaching the island, for she put down her paddle and let the canoe drift idly along shore. It was growing dark, and a crescent moon was faintly shining in the east. Anne, looking attentively upstream, saw a white speck in the water and, taking her paddle, fished it out and deposited it, dripping, on his knee.

"It's the letter," he announced, touching it. Anne started.

"Give it to me," she demanded, holding out her hand.

"After I've read it," he said calmly.

"Ned Cramer, that's my letter, and you have no right to read it."

"On the contrary, it's mine since, firstly, you threw it away, and, secondly, picked it up again and gave it to me 'to have and to hold.'"

Anne quaked, but she tried bravado.

"Well, it's too dark to read it anyhow; besides, it's all soaked and bleared," she said.

"My excellent eyes are not the least of my many good points," said Ned, spreading it out carefully. Anne looked about for means of escape. She saw Ned lean out and snatch something out of the water.

"It's the other half," he beamed. "Now, I'll read it to you." He patched the halves together, held them to his eyes a moment, laid them down again on his knee and glanced over at Anne. She looked relieved.

"I told you it was too dark," she said triumphantly.

"I have some matches," he answered, pulling out a little silver case.

"Anne," he went on, "you know you love me."

"I know that I hate you," she answered.

"Anne," he said, smiling at her, "I'm going to give you just one minute to tell me you love me, and, if you don't say it, then I'm going to prove it to you."

Anne's heart panted to say "Yes," but her stubborn will would not yield. She said weakly, "Ned, I"—

"Time!" called out Ned, and then he lit a match and leaned over the letter. Anne bent forward, her lips parted, her fingers twitching. The canoe rocked dangerously.

"'Of course I love Ned,'" read the man slowly. "The letter," he interrupted himself, "seems to be from—er—someone to Clara Carlton. 'Of course I love Ned, but he is too sure of it, and I mean'"—

He never finished the sentence, for in her attempt to snatch the letter Anne upset the canoe and landed Ned, herself and the letter in the muddy river.

When she regained her balance and thought of Ned she discovered him turning the canoe right side up and paying no attention at all to her. Her first thought was that it was fortunate he had caught hold of the boat. Then she gasped in amazement, for he had let it go, and it was floating down stream.

"Ned Cramer, are you crazy?" she screamed. "Catch it!"

"I'll take you to the island first," he answered and waded through the shallow water to the bald, sandy spot they called an island. It happened that when he set her down her feet touched something hard, but which moved nevertheless.

"Ned," she screamed, "it's a turtle!"

Ned had started away, and he called over his shoulder:

"They won't bite if you don't scare them or the snakes either."

Snakes! She held her dripping skirts tightly around her and stood, a pathetic but nevertheless a funny figure, fear written in every line of her body. She was too frightened to move when she saw the great turtle she had stepped on come straight toward her, craning its bald, snaky head from side to side. The tears rolled unheeded down her face and mingled with the water that dripped from her stringy, wet hair. She sobbed helplessly and with horrified eyes was still watching the turtle, which had stopped in his tracks and was leering at her, when she heard Ned's voice. Never had anything sounded so good to her ears.

"Do you love me, Anne?"

How one will suffer for pride's sake! She turned her face toward him, unmindful of tears:

"I hate you!" she sobbed.

"All right," he called cheerfully; "I'll just paddle around a little, and when you're ready you call, and I'll come. As I said before, the snakes won't be apt to bite unless you should happen to step on them or something."

He turned the canoe and took a dozen strokes, feeling like a beastly cad every time the paddle touched the water. Then a voice, wild and desperate with fear, shrieked:

"Ned, come back!"

"Coming," he called. "Wait, Anne."

But Anne, terrified beyond endurance by the advancing turtle, ran into the water, and he pulled her, a dripping, sobbing, disheveled figure, into the shelter of the canoe and his arms.

"You'll never regret it, Anne," he said softly.

"But you will," she sobbed. "I'll—I'll lead you an awful life!"

Leaving It to the Postman.

Some queer things are done by thoughtless persons who try by descriptions to supply the lack of a definite address for their letters.

One such letter was directed: "To my sister Jean, up the Canongnte, down a close, Edinburgh. She has a wooden leg." Jean safely received her brother's communication.

Another queer letter provided no difficulty at all for the postman. It was superscribed, "This is for the young girl that wears spectacles, who minds two babies, 30 Sheriff street, off Prince Edward street, Liverpool."

Another was addressed, "This is for her that makes dresses for ladies that live at tother side of rode to James Brocklip, Edensover, Chesterfield." This, too, was delivered.

The following specimen, however, proved too much for the mail carrier. It could not be delivered: "E. R—, a cook as lived tempery with a Mrs. L., or some such name, a shoemaker in Castle street, about No. 20 Hobern, in 1851."

"She is a Welsh person, about five feet and stoutish, lives in service some ware in London or naboureds London," was the superscription of a letter that recently passed through the general postoffice. To pick that short and stoutish Welsh person out of some 7,000,000 people was a task at which the officials threw up their hands. The missive had to go to the dead letter office.—London Weekly.

Her Comprehensive Glance.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson were passengers in an elevated train.

"It whizzed past a house that was brilliantly lighted.

"I wonder what was going on there," ejaculated Mr. Ferguson.

"It was a wedding," replied his wife. "Didn't you see them standing before the preacher? He was in a white gown. The groom was in full evening suit. The bride wore a robe of chiffon cloth, with bertha and yoke of duchesse lace on the bodice and lace flounce on the skirt. She had a full length tulle veil and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley. Where were your eyes?"

Mr. Ferguson, realizing his utter worthlessness, resumed the reading of his paper and said nothing—Chicago Tribune.

The Danger of It.

Mother Bunny.— Now, you, Johnny, come in this minute! Don't you see the lady with the gun?

Johnny Bunny—But she's not aiming at us, mamma.

Mother Bunny—That's why it's so dangerous, dear. Come inside, quick!

In Jungle Society.

Mr. Monkey—This is the height of comfort.—Boston American.

Her Playing.

"Well, well!" exclaimed the old man. "Mandy's learnin' to play real good. Now, there's some sense in that there piece she's playin'."

"That ain't Mandy," replied his wife. "It's the man tuning the piano."—Philadelphia Press.

Taking Her at Her Word.

Jones—How's this, old man? I thought you and your wife were going abroad on a pleasure trip, and you're taking your mother-in-law along. Smith—Well, she's always saying, "See Paris and die," so I thought I'd let her see Paris.

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WEST WARREN.

Miss Minnie Brosnan of the Westfield normal school is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Brosnan on South street.

Robert Armour, son of Robert Armour, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, has recovered after a month's illness.

Jan Marka, who while at work in mill No. 4 of the Thorndike mills a week ago, caught his right foot between the elevator car and shaft, lost three toes by amputation Monday morning.

In accordance with the vote taken at a recent town meeting, the voters in precinct B will cast their votes in the firemen's hall on Albany street at the annual town election April 3, instead of going to Warren, precinct A, as has been the custom for years.

Lewis Hopfe, who lived on the old Jonas Blodgett farm near West Brimfield, formerly owned by J. T. F. MacDonnell of Holyoke, has moved his family to West Warren. Mr. Hopfe left Tuesday for Oklahoma, where he intends to buy a farm. He was accompanied by John Caldwell Jr.

Jan Scygiel, a Pole, of No. 4 village, narrowly escaped being killed Sunday morning while attempting to board a moving freight train over the Boston and Albany railroad. Sczygiel is one of several men employed in the night gang who work in the Thorndike No. 4 mill, and had been in West Warren since some time early Sunday morning, and was on his way to his boarding place about 10.15 when he saw the train and thought he would ride up instead of walking the mile. In attempting to make the train he was jerked from his feet and thrown heavily to the ground between the up and down tracks, sustaining beside a badly scratched face severe contusions on the left hip as large as a saucer, and behind the left ear.

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WHAT DREAMS MAY COME

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All day long the heavy leaden clouds had been threatening rain, and toward evening it began, very softly at first, but growing steadily in volume, until at 8 o'clock it was a veritable downpour, rattling steadily on the tin roof of the hotel piazza and beating against the windows in spiteful fashion.

It was cold, too, and a cheerful fire crackled and sputtered sturdily in the big fireplace in the hotel office, but despite the fire and the lights and the gay chatter of the guests congregated in the big palm lined room the effect of the storm outside was glaringly evident. A cold, rainy evening at a popular summer hotel is something to be remembered—and avoided.

Near the fireplace at a score of little tables the energetic Mrs. Potter had started a game of progressive euchre, and in the big hall the orchestra had been pressed into unwilling service by *some of the younger guests*, and the strains of the latest popular waltzes and the sound of shuffling feet drew many people thither.

Streeter, lounging in a chair near the desk, alternately read a morning paper for the third time and tried to find some interest in the attempts of the other guests to amuse themselves.

In sheer desperation he was perusing the "want column" when he saw Miss Gale come down the broad stairs. He was by her side in a moment.

"I wanted to claim you before Mrs. Potter kidnaped you or some one else dragged you off to dance," he explained laughingly.

The girl smiled amusedly and shook a finger at him.

"I can see at a glance that you are bored to death and in search of diversion at any cost," she said.

"Your diagnosis is correct," said he. "I am suffering from that unhappy malady, or I was until I caught sight of you. You know that it was because you recommended this place that I came here. Now, you must do your best to dispel the gloom that has descended upon me."

"What shall I do?" she asked lightly. "Introduce you to some of Mrs. Potter's proteges or get Mrs. Vanident to give you the personal history of every one here?"

"I think," said Streeter, "that Chopin in the music room would be the best antidote."

"You are very modest in your demands," she laughed. "Chopin you shall have until you cry for mercy. Come on!"

They made their way to the little music room far down the corridor, and to Streeter's unutterable delight they found it quite deserted. Streeter turned out the lights and lighted two little red shaded candles on the piano.

"Just right now for the fifth nocturne," he said as he surveyed the two spots of color in the gloom.

The girl ran her fingers over the keys, and Streeter drew a chair near her and sat down. She began to play the fifth nocturne very softly, and Streeter, leaning back comfortably, watched the pretty profile outlined faintly by the candle light. And as he listened to the rain beating against the windows he realized the good that a seemingly ill wind had blown him.

The nocturne died away as it had begun, very softly, and he drew his chair into the little circle of light.

"The only trouble with that nocturne," he said gravely, "is that, like all things temporal, it comes to an end."

"Are you fond of them?" she asked. "I'll play another."

"Do you know," he said quickly, "I have often dreamed of some such situation as this."

"A long, dreary evening at a storm bound summer resort?" she laughed.

"No," he said seriously; "of a piano and candles with little red shades and of you playing nocturnes to me like this."

She began another nocturne, even more softly, that it might not interrupt their conversation.

"Dreams very seldom come true," she said. And whether or not her tone was mocking Streeter was at loss to decide.

He silently listened to the nocturne and studied the girl's profile intently, but the profile was noncommital. He leaned forward in his chair and spoke very softly.

"It was a very pretty dream," he said, "one of those intangible bits of happiness that makes one loath to come to prosaic earth again. There was one thing about those dreams, however, quite different from this partial realization."

"And what was that?" she asked.

"The piano and the little red shaded candles—and—and you were in my own house," he said.

The nocturne grew a trifle louder. The girl's glance was turned to the other side of the room.

"What a presumptuous dream!" she said.

"Was it?" said Streeter meekly. "I couldn't help dreaming it, you know."

There was a long pause. Then he said slowly:

"Perhaps it was presumptuous. You see, I wasn't asleep when I dreamed it."

The nocturne came to an abrupt ending. The girl rose from the piano.

"You're not angry?" said Streeter in alarm.

"N-no," she said.

"Then—then," he began and halted miserably. "Tell me," he said, "do dreams go by contrary?"

The girl had reached the door. She turned, and even in the dim light he could see the deep color in her cheeks.

"Not—not day dreams," she almost whispered. GRANT OWEN.

The Poor Missionary.

"Now, my child," said the cannibal mother to her youngest hopeful, "I want you to be on your good behavior and not make a pig of yourself."

"What for?" demanded the young savage.

"Because we're going to have that new minister for dinner."—Exchange.

Spite of all de bright sunshine in dis worl', some mens will go round hunt-in' fer happiness wid a candle.—Atlanta Constitution.

A Chicago Alderman Owes His Election to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"I can heartily and conscientiously recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for affectations of the throat and lungs," says Hon. John Shenick, 220 So. Peoria St., Chicago, "Two years ago, during a political campaign, I caught cold after being overheated, which irritated my throat and I was finally compelled to stop, as I could not speak aloud. In my extremity a friend advised me to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I took two doses that afternoon and could not believe my senses when I found the next morning the inflammation had largely subsided. I took several doses that day, kept right on talking through the campaign, and I thank this medicine that I won my seat in the Council." This remedy is for sale by the Quimby Pharmacy, Palmer.

Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, MARCH 22, 1905

State finance is henceforth the most important matter at the state house for this session of the Legislature. Gov. Douglas's message yesterday seems to settle that beyond doubt. More than that, the matter is put in such a way that the issue does not come as a partisan matter, but as a public concern, aside from partisan considerations. With the Legislature strongly Republican, both in numbers and ability, in both branches, there is no possible chance to make Democratic capital out of the matter, otherwise than by laying down a policy and challenging the majority party to meet the situation. This is practically what the governor has done, and he has done it in such a broad way that the challenge must be accepted and the relief given, if the majority party expects to stand well with the people. A strong pull, and a pull altogether is the need in the present financial situation, and the best policy of the majority is to seize the opportunity, as Bryan did when he praised President Roosevelt for his anti-trust declaration, and work for the good of the people, aside from partisan policies.

As to the wisdom of the direct inheritance tax, it has been demonstrated for years in succession to the satisfaction of the House. But the bill has failed every year in the Senate, after it has passed the House, and it is well understood that this failure is not due to a difference in the logical demonstration for the bill in the Senate, but to the pressure of selfish influences in the Senate, where they are much stronger than they are in the House. The fact that not over 4 per cent of the property in the state will come under the proposed law illustrates how lightly it will bear upon the people, but the defeat of the bill proves where the burden comes. The element of justice in the measure is what commends it to the average legislator. No one can talk long with the tax authorities without seeing how deeply they feel the evil of tax-dodging and how they deplore the almost universal fact that the people who ought to bear more taxes evade them as much as possible. If the wealthy people paid their just proportion of the taxes, the burden on other people would be much lighter. But human ingenuity and honesty is not yet equal to devising a law which will operate well. Therefore, the argument is, since these people escape their just share of taxes when they are alive, it is only fair for the state to take a share when their estates pass through the probate office. Of course there is injustice in this plan, but it is a rough approximation to justice and a marked improvement upon the present system. Yet, in spite of this truth, the wealthiest people will doubtless still be able to defeat the popular will in the Senate and continue to put their share of taxes upon other people.

Now the season approaches when some of the measures which helped the undoing of Gov. Bates will confront Gov. Douglas. The labor committee has reported the bill to prevent women and minors from working overtime (or between 6 p. m. and 6 a. m.) to make up time lost in factories from the stoppage of machinery for repairs. The mill people have stoutly opposed this bill, in order to have leeway for making up orders when there is pressure to fill them. But last year the employees carried their point and the bill went to the governor. Of course the Republican majority will not try to prevent this bill, as a matter of politics, from reaching the governor. The Democrats want it to reach him and so the prospect is favorable for its passage. Then will come the question of signing.

The eight-hour bill for public employees is another bill now pending which reached Gov. Bates and was vetoed by him. What its fate will be cannot yet be foretold, but political reasons will tend to let the bill go to the governor, so that he may face the same dilemma as Gov. Bates encountered with such disaster. But the non-political opposition may believe that the risk is too great to run and will try to beat the bill in any event. Doubtless there will be some members of this class, but probably not a majority. Then there is the Christmas shopping bill, to modify existing law so that retail stores may keep open evenings for ten days before Christmas and make the clerks work overtime. Boston labor and philanthropic influences are strongly against the bill, while the leading retailers of Worcester, Springfield, Haverhill and other places, demand this much of relaxation of the strictness of the present law.

Failure has once more been the fate of the effort to preserve country hunting for the benefit of the city sportsmen, and their effort has met a unanimous adverse report from the committee on fisheries and game,—reference to the next Legislature,—and this report will doubtless be accepted. The farmers would not stand such interference. The four western counties, Worcester county, and some eastern places would not stand such interference with the traditional rights of the farmers, while the farmers' boys, in their pursuit of woodchucks and partridges, had friendly consideration. No report has been made yet on the petition for a license fee of $10 for every unnaturalized foreigner who wishes to hunt. This is aimed at the Italians who are destroying the song and insectivorous birds without mercy in large numbers.

From the unexpected source of Simon Swig of Taunton, a new representative from that city, and a man of foreign birth and rearing, has come a bill which was reported unanimously yesterday by the committee on election laws to prevent the giving of money for political purposes by any domestic corporation, or any corporation which is authorized to do business in the state. It prohibits a gift of money or other valuable thing whatever by any such corporation, or its officers or agents for any political purpose, and it prohibits the solicitation of any gift of money or other valuable thing whatever from any such corporation, its officers or agents. The penalty proposed in the bill is $1000 fine and a year's imprisonment upon any guilty person, and $5000 penalty upon the guilty corporation. Whether the bill will pass, and whether it could be enforced, if passed, are different questions, but it is worthy of note that such a bill comes in with a unanimous report.

The eulogies in the Senate of the career and character of the late ex-Gov. Boutwell were of an unusually high order, befitting the subject and the public had an opportunity to learn something of the rare ability and high patriotism of this statesman of the late generation, who never had a college training, but, by sheer native force of mind and will, raised himself so high that honors, many and lofty, came to him without solicitation, honors which he bore worthily, for the lasting benefit of the nation.

Patent medicine men, defeated in the House by the public interest in having the percentage of alcohol in their products put on the outside of the bottle, defeated the House bill in the Senate by means of letters and telegrams. Not a word of debate occurred, but the bill was killed by a big vote on the first call of the calendar. But the great fluttering of this bit bird shows where the shot will be pretty surely fired next year, and the next, until the game is up for the patent medicine men.

This afternoon the House had a debate upon the abolition of the death penalty. It was long, but it was not as strong as it has been in some years. But the sentiment of the members was more largely against any change than it has been for some years when a vote has been recorded. On the motion to substitute the bill to abolish capital punishment for the adverse report of the committee, there were 54 yeas to 107 nays. That is a strong enough vote to make it seem certain that for a long time to come there will be no chance of having imprisonment for life as the greatest punishment for murderers.

The probate and chancery committee has agreed to report a bill which will stiffen up the Sunday law regarding theatrical entertainments. It aims to cut off a lot of entertainments which are now given under the guise of benevolent or charitable. It takes away from the licensing authorities of cities and towns the right to license any Sunday show whatever, except a concert of sacred music, or a free concert under municipal auspices upon some bandstand, common or park.

All cities outside of Boston have a direct interest in the bill which is said to have been agreed upon by the committee on cities to limit the height of buildings. It is not to be over 100 feet in any event, and is subject to other limitations. The argument in favor of the improved health conditions preserved by the presence of light and fresh air outweighs all considerations of economy in property. Sunlight kills disease germs. Family life is healthier and brighter in sunny rooms than in those shaded by tall buildings. The property owners must stand aside for the benefit to the public. LANDON

WARREN.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

The warrant for the annual town meeting has been posted. The meeting for election of officers is called for April 3 at 6.30 a. m. at the respective voting precincts, and the polls will be open at 7 o'clock and may be closed at 4 p. m. The other town business will be transacted April 8 at 2 o'clock in the town hall. The warrant contains 35 articles, among which are the following: To accept $100 from W. H. Fairbanks for permanent improvement of a stretch of gravel highway; to reduce the number of the school committee to three, according to the provisions of Chapter 11, Section 334 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts; to see what action the town will take on an unpaid account of Heywood Bros & Wakefield Company of Boston contracted by Henry Hyde Dwight for chairs furnished for the Warren town hall; to repair the lower part of Bacon street; to drain the surface water and raise the sidewalk on North street at West Warren; to appropriate $600 to buy hose and other fire department supplies; to purchase and install a pumping engine to connect with the hydrants in Warren; to build a sidewalk on the southern end of South street at West Warren; to construct a gravel walk on South street at Warren; to appropriate a sum of money for the repairs of the long South-street bridge at West Warren, also to repair the bridge across the river near the shop formerly owned by A. W. Crossman & Son; to repair the walks and grounds about the soldiers' monument. The warrant is somewhat longer than last year and some of the articles will call out active discussion both before and at the meeting.

Court Warren, F. of A., met Monday evening and chose as delegates to the annual convention of the grand court to be held in Springfield in May, Chief Ranger Daniel J. Keough and Past Chief Ranger John Ryan; alternates, Thomas Byron and John Teehan. The court is thinking seriously of erecting a hall in the near future.

The public schools opened for the spring term Monday with a full attendance and the same corps of teachers, except that Miss Christina M Green of North Adams succeeds Miss L. R. Peakes in grades 5 and 6 in the high school building. Miss Green is a graduate of the North Adams Normal School, and has been recently teaching in Monroe.

The adjourned annual meeting and the special meeting of the Torkelson Manufacturing company was held yesterday afternoon. It was voted to change the by-laws so as to reduce the number of directors from five to three. These officers were elected: Clerk, Eben F. Thompson; treasurer, R. T. Torkelson, directors, R T Torkelson, Mrs. Alice Torkelson and Charles Keyes.

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52-3 Public Administrator.
Springfield, Mass., March 17, 1905.

TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, holden at Springfield, within and for the County of Hampden, humbly shows Edith A. Pierce of Wales, County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts that she was lawfully married to James A. Pierce of Cranson, R. I., now of parts unknown, at North Attleboro, Mass., on the nineteenth day of February, A. D. 1899, that they have since lived together as husband and wife in said Cranston, R. I., and Uxbridge, Mass. and she has ever conducted towards him as a faithful, chaste, and affectionate wife, yet the said Libellee regardless of his marriage vows and obligations on the ninth day of August, A. D. 1902 deserted her and at the present time his whereabouts and residence is unknown to the Libellant and that said Libellee being of sufficient ability, grossly or wantonly and cruelly refused and neglected to provide suitable maintenance for her which neglect exists to the present time, and at Uxbridge on or about the first day of July, A. D. 1901 and on divers other days and times was guilty of cruel and abusive treatment towards her libellant; and has contracted gross and confirmed habits of intoxication caused by the voluntary and excessive use of intoxicating liquor, opium or other drugs.

Wherefore she prays that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between her and the said James A. Pierce may be dissolved, and that she may resume her maiden name Edith A. Paige and for such further orders and decrees in the premises as law and justice may appertain.

Dated the eighth day of February, 1904.
EDITH A. PIERCE.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—HAMPDEN, ss.

SUPERIOR COURT.

CLERK'S OFFICE, SPRINGFIELD, March 28, A. D. 1905.

On the foregoing amended libel, it is ordered that the libellant give notice to the said libellee James A. Pierce of the tendency thereof, and to appear before said Court at Springfield, within and for the County of Hampden, on the first Monday of May next, by causing an attested copy of her said libel as amended with this order thereon, to be published once a week, three weeks successively, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper printed in Palmer, in the County of Hampden, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the first Monday of May, and by sending by mail, to the last known address of the said libellee, as soon as may be, a registered letter containing an attested copy of said libel as amended and of this order thereon; or by causing the said libellee, if found within this Commonwealth, to be served with an attested copy of said libel as amended and this order fourteen days at least before the first Monday of May that the said libellee then and there show cause why the prayer of said libel as amended should not be granted.

Attest: ROBERT O. DERRIS, Clerk.

A true copy of libel as amended and order thereon.

Attest: ROBERT O. DERRIS, Clerk.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE—By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Emma E. Hall to J. Richard Brown dated October 28, 1904, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Hampden, libro 698, folio 171, will be sold at public auction at the dwelling house on the premises first hereinafter described on Saturday, the twenty-second day of April, 1905, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage, and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:—

A certain tract of land with buildings thereon situated in Brimfield in said county of Hampden, containing about 1½ acres, and bounded easterly by the highway leading to Warren, northerly by land of Arthur Brown, westerly partly by the old Mountain road and partly by land of one Lewis, southerly by land of E. Hitchcock, land of said Lewis and land of Orrin Hicks, said premises being known as the Brown Farm.

Also a certain tract of pasture land situated in said Brimfield called the Mountain lot, containing 120 acres, and bounded westerly by land of George Sherman, northerly by land of John St. George and the Fenton lot so called, easterly by land of Arthur Brown, and southerly by land of one Barnes and one Lewis.

Also a certain other small tract of land situated on the easterly side of said highway opposite the dwelling house, containing about two acres, being a part of said Brown farm, and bounded westerly by said highway, easterly by the Sherman lot so called, easterly by land of Stetson and southerly by Clarence Brown.

Subject to a previous mortgage to Frank W. and Ellen F. Gordon to secure a loan of $600 and interest amounting to $68.50.

$100 will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale.

J. RICHARD BROWN.
By Gardner & Gardner, his attorneys.
March 30th, 1905. 53-3

APPROPRIATION MEETING.

Several Important Improvements Adopted by Voters.

ANOTHER SCORING FOR SOME BOARDS

Appropriations Total $65,000. Addition To High School, Water Committee, Etc.

Palmer's annual "Town meeting" on Monday will pass into history as the longest continuous performance of modern times in that line so far as this town is concerned. Not since the good old times when the inhabitants took all day to settle a minister or decide the location of the town's church, with frequent adjournments to "Landlord John Thompson's," has it taken nearly eight hours to transact the business of an annual appropriation meeting. And in this instance there were no adjournments, it was literally a continuous performance from 10.05 in the morning until 5.30 in the afternoon, and the faithful few who remained to close up the business of the warrant were perfectly willing to quit.

But the time was considered well put in, for a number of votes were passed which cannot fail to improve the condition of municipal affairs in future years. Among these was the decision to elect the assessors next year for terms of three, two and one years, and thereafter one man each year for a term of three years, thus keeping experienced men on the board at all times. Another was the taking of the appointment of road commissioner out of the hands of the selectmen by voting to elect him after this year, a move which the selectmen will probably appreciate. The town clerk will be elected hereafter for a term of three years. The town will buy a portable stone crusher for use in building highways, and a committee consisting of T. W. Kenefick, R. C. Newell and E. W. Carpenter will investigate a uniform system of keeping town accounts. Possibly as important a move as any was the appointment of a committee to investigate the possible sources of water supply for the entire town, with instructions to procure estimates and report at the next annual town meeting. The committe is L. E Chandler, D. F. Dillon, T. J. Moran, R. L. Bond and R. C. Newell. Future town reports are not likely to contain long lists of unpaid sewer entrance fees, as it was voted that interest on all such amounts now due, as well as on sidewalk assessments still unpaid, shall bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum commencing May 1, while all future fees and assessments shall begin to bear interest 30 days after being made. The treasurer was instructed not to pay any order of any officer of the town with the exception of the school committee and overseers of the poor, without the approval of the selectmen; and the selectmen were ordered to draw no orders except where itemized bills were presented and approved by them.

The town will maintain night police and street lights as usual, appropriated the usual sum for the Young Men's Library Association, and transacted the usual routine business. Among the new business was the appropriation of $1000 for sidewalks, the abutters to pay half the expense where new walks are constructed; two new sewers will be built in the Depot village, and a hood placed over the Pleasant street entrance to Memorial Hall. The claim of the C. D. Holbrook Co. against the town, arising over a difference of opinion between it and G. W. Lent while he was warden at the town farm several years ago, will be paid. The French Catholic people were granted permission to make burials up to the highway in their cemetery, having been restricted to ten rods from the highway in the past. Various bills for labor on the Burleigh bridge under the Hamilton & King contract were ordered paid, but the contractors were denied reimbursement for their loss. Evening schools will be considered by the school committee, and a report made next March. A stringent junk by-law was adopted, and hereafter any person going about buying, collecting, or attempting to buy or collect junk, etc., must first obtain a license from the town clerk and then have his number conspicuously displayed on his person and on his vehicle if he has one; the penalty is a fine of not over $20.

An attempt will be made to expedite the transaction of business next year, and at the same time give more information regarding numerous of the articles than was to be had readily last Monday. Many articles were called up on which there seemed to be no ready information or definite knowledge of what was best. The acquiring of this information took valuable time—lots of it—and toward the close of the meeting L E Chandler called attention to this fact and moved the appointment of a committee of 15 to consider the articles in next year's warrant, and report on each, with recommendations, at the meeting. It was at once adopted, with the provision that one member of each disbursing board of town officers have a place on the committee, which, as named by the moderator, is J. F. Twiss, L. E Chandler, Dr. J. P. Schneider, H. T. Bishop, J. F. Foley, J. F. Holbrook, W. H. Norton, D. L. Bodfish, E W. Carpenter, R. C. Newell, C. H. Hobbs, E G. Childs, G. M. Atkins, T. W. Kenefick, E. E. Hobson.

T. J. Moran was chosen moderator after the reading of the full warrant had been dispensed with. The election of surveyors of wood and lumber being accomplished and field drivers and a tree warden chosen, the reports of the various town officers were taken up. All were accepted with the exception of those of the assessors, tax collector, and cemetery commissioners. All went smoothly until the report of the selectmen was called up, when Capt. H. E. W. Clark wanted to know why some instructions to town officers had borne fruit while others had been wholly ignored, and asked if $1100 unpaid sewer entrance fees were necessary while the town had to borrow money. D F. Dillon asked the selectmen if the return of $20 each from the assessors had been demanded as per last year's vote; they replied that a letter had been sent each, but that no reply had been received, and the matter had been allowed to drop. Regarding the treasurer's instructions to demand the return of $25 taken by H. G. Loomis as clerk for the cemetery commissioners, he announced that he had demanded it of Mr. Loomis and that the latter had replied that he would not pay it. A suggestion that the town council be instructed to recover these sums if possible was opposed by him, under the view that if action of this kind was desired the treasurer, the town's collecting agent, should be instructed to bring suit; such a motion was made but was

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DEATH OF ENOS CALKINS.

One of the Oldest Residents of the Town Of Palmer.

The news has just been received of the death of Enos Calkins at New Haven on Wednesday, March 29. His death was due to heart failure and was not unexpected, as he had been in a failing condition for some time, and his advanced years had left him no reserve force with which to combat the disease which preyed upon him.

Enos Calkins, son of Abel and Esther (Mixter) Calkins, was born in Wilbraham May 3, 1815, so that he lacked but one month and five days of attaining the age of ninety years. He came to Three Rivers with his parents about 1835, where he worked on a farm and also carried on the butchering business, as it was then called. About 1843 he bought the Hills farm on Baptist Hill, where he lived about seven years, and then returned to Three Rivers and thence to the village of Palmer in 1851, having his residence in the house on South Main street, which had been built by his father a few years previously, and where he had since made his home. He was honored

by the town with a seat in the Legislature of 1853, and was chosen one of the selectmen in the years of 1849, '50, '52, '53, '65, '66, '67, '75-'76 During all these years he received nothing for his services save his expenses when out of town on its special business. He was also justice of the peace and trial justice for many years. He was a director in the Palmer Savings Bank, and for many years on its board of investment. He united with the Baptist church at Three Rivers in 1838, and transferred his membership to the church in this village in 1854, in which relationship he continued till his death.

Mr. Calkins obtained his education at the district school in Glendale, near his early home, later he greatly desired to attend Monson Academy, telling his father that he wished to perfect himself in grammar, but his father replied that he could work on a farm just as well without as with that branch of learning. Taking this opportunity of his cherished desire, he may have been obliged sometimes to dispense with the polish of the rhetorician, but he had a good command of common sense Anglo Saxon, which he was able to use forcibly and impressively when necessity required. However, he appreciated the value of a liberal education so much that he gave his children the benefit of it.

Mr. Calkins was a man always to be depended upon. He meant just what he said; a man of exact integrity, whose judgment was safe to follow. Having once made up his mind, he was not easy turned from his purpose. He was greatly attached to the church of his choice, and he has left his life-long homestead for its future benefit.

Mr. Calkins married Oct. 2, 1838, Angenette Clough; she died Aug. 11, 1878 September 23, 1880, he married Mrs. Eliza G. Brewer, nee Gilbert, who survives him. He is also survived by a son, George W., a graduate of Brown University. His only daughter, Frances M., who married Charles B. Fiske, died Aug. 11, 1877.

O. P. ALLEN.

The funeral was held from the Baptist church this afternoon, the pastor, Rev. C. W. Williams, officiating; burial was in the Thorndike street cemetery.

PALMER BASEBALL PLANS.

Association Will Put Team in the Field This Season.

Palmer is to have baseball again this season, unless something untoward happens. The baseball association which managed the games last fall met Tuesday evening and organized with the choice of the following officers: President, T. W. Kenefick; vice president, A. J. Purinton; secretary and treasurer, E. W. Carpenter; directors, J. B. Dawson, D. F. Dillon, Dr. J. F. Roche, L. E. Chandler, H. W. Holbrook and the president and vice president. Another meeting was held Wednesday afternoon, when plans for the season were discussed. A sum of money necessary to put a team in the field was decided upon, and the directors are making a canvass for it; contributions of $3 or over will entitle the donor to membership in the association and a pro rata share in the assets. The association has secured the Agricultural Park and will put a strong team in the field. E. W. Carpenter will be the local manager and Albert Shaw of Springfield, formerly of Palmer, will select and captain the team. Another meeting of the association will be held in a day or two.

Ludlow Man Stabbed Three Times.

A stabbing affair took place at the Ludlow mills Tuesday noon. David LeBlue and Stanislaw Beitiske were coming out for their lunch, and while on the stairway LeBlue tripped Bietiske. When LeBlue reached the doorway Bietiske overtook him and drove a knife into him three times. Two of the wounds were small, but the third was a large one. LeBlue was taken to a doctor's office and it was found upon close examination that one of the lungs was slightly cut. During the excitement Bietiske managed to elude the police. He ran to his boarding place on Joy street, but when Officer Storer went there to make inquiries he was informed that Bietiske had gone across the Indian Leap bridge to Indian Orchard. Officer MacDonald of Indian Orchard, who was called on to assist, telephoned to Chicopee Falls, then started out afoot and was met by the Chicopee Falls officers near Burcham Bend, but no boy was seen, and no trace of his has been found as yet.

"From Fort Stedman to Appomattox."

The next meeting of the Palmer Historical Society will be held Tuesday evening in Memorial Hall, through the courtesy of L. L. Merrick post, G. A. R The coming week being the anniversary of Lee's last campaign in 1865, the president of the society will give a historical lecture on the subject: "From Fort Stedman to Appomattox." The lecture will be illustrated by maps showing the entire field of military operations. This meeting will be open to the public, and any citizens who are interested are invited to attend. A special invitation is extended to all members of the Grand Army, Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans. The

ELOPING COUPLES RETURN.

Attempt to Get Married, But Were Refused Licenses.

HAVE NOT YET REACHED LEGAL AGE.

And Return Home Three Days Later. Irate Mother Horsewhips One Young Man.

The truth of the old adage that the course of true love never runs smoothly has been demonstrated much to the grief of four of Palmer's young residents, who eloped from this town last Saturday and were obliged to return again Monday in a state of single blessedness, owing to the cold-heartedness of the various town and city clerks visited in their journey.

Harry Day and Miss Jennie Brooks, Fred Barber and Miss Laura Bresette, whose hearts had been badly pierced by Cupid's darts, left town Saturday afternoon without giving notice of their intention to their parents or friends. They went first to Westfield, where an attempt was made to secure marriage licenses, but on account of their youthful appearance their request was refused, Day being only 22, Barber 19, and Miss Brooks and Miss Bresette 18. The party then started for Hartford, but as it was Saturday afternoon the city offices were closed and they were unable to secure licenses. They spent the night in that city and Sunday left for New York, where they went to the Niagara Hotel and registered as men and wives. It being Sunday, no attempt was made to get married and the day was devoted to sightseeing, it being a sort of ante-nuptial wedding trip.

The party decided to try to secure the necessary licenses in Springfield, and with this in view they boarded the Hartford boat Monday night, arriving in Springfield Tuesday morning. City Clerk E. A. Newell was visited, but again the elopers were doomed to disappointment and failed to secure the licenses. The party began to get disheartened about this time and decided to postpone their weddings until a more favorable opportunity should present itself. So the young ladies were put on the 1.50 train out of Springfield, and the young men followed later in the day, all returning to their respective homes.

The finances for the trip were furnished by all four participating. The assets of the Day-Brooks couple consisted of about $59, of which Miss Brooks furnished $19, including $13 which she had been given to pay a coal bill just before she left home. It is said that Miss Bresette had but 10 cents when she started, while the Barber boy's assets are not known. All four were employed in the Palmer Carpet Company's mill, and had saved the small sums they had with them.

BASKETBALL.

Two Games at Belchertown.

The merchants and farmers played a preliminary game, the former winning, 5 to 0. This game was rather rough. Both sides shot promiscuously, and their general behavior added a great deal to the fun of the crowd.

The first and second teams of the Belchertown high school played an interesting game of basketball in the town hall Monday night, the first team winning by 16 points. The game was faster than the score indicates, good team work being displayed on both sides.

Warren and Wales Caucuses.

Caucuses to nominate town officers were held in Warren last Friday night. The Republican caucus was held in Brigham's hall, with an attendance of about 75. The chairman was W. E. Patrick; secretary, C. M. Blair. The nominations: Clerk and treasurer, Charles B. Blair; selectmen, Albert B Patrick, Marcus Burroughs, Albert H. Converse; assessors, Frank E. Gleason, Albert H. Converse, J. Edward Lombard; overseers of the poor, F. M. Cutler, J. Hermidas Hebert, Lester L. Burroughs; board of health, Albert E. Shumway; school committee, Charles O. Walker, Joseph G. Hastings, Dwight E Graves; auditors, William L. Curtis, Fred E. Wilcox, George E. Tarbell; collector of taxes, Frank E Gleason; constables, Walter A. Putnam, Charles Comins, David Dempsey, Clarence L. Thompson, Robert Love; cemetery commissioner, Edward J. Burke; tree warden, Joseph Mason. The citizens' caucus was held at the town hall with 100 present. John W. Tyler was chairman and William F. Duncan secretary. The nominations: Clerk and treasurer, Charles B. Blair; selectmen, Robert Love, John E Dalton, Charles L Combs; overseers of the poor, James M. F. Quinlan, B. J. Dufresne, S. M. Cutler; collector of taxes, Frank E. Gleason; assessors, Frank E Gleason, Charles L. Combs, William J. Teagan; school committee, Charles O. Walker, Edward W. Canning, Julia M. Hitchcock; tree warden, John Sweeney; board of health, Albert Woodard; constables, Patrick J. Dafley, Patrick J. Campbell, John Collins, Henry L. Gendron, Charles E. Comins; auditors, Alfred E. Shumway, B. N. Lydon, Joseph Faneuf; cemetery commissioner, Wilson H. Fairbank.

There have since been the following withdrawals from the nominations made at the Warren caucuses: Republican caucus nominees, Marcus Burroughs for selectman, A. E. Shumway for board of health, D. E. Graves and Joseph G. Hastings for school committee, George E. Tarbell and Fred E. Wilcox from auditor and Robert Love from constable. Citizens' caucus, Joseph Faneuf and Alfred E. Shumway as auditors.

The Republican and Democratic caucuses were held in Wales last Friday evening, with a small attendance in each. At the Republican caucus the moderator was L. J. Thompson, and secretary, H. A. McFarland. The nominations: Town clerk, O. P. Royce; treasurer, L. H. Thompson; selectmen and overseers, E. F. Ross, L. H. Thompson, William McKinnon; assessors, J. H. Walker, W. W. Eager, W. E. Needham; collector, L. H. Thompson; cemetery commissioner, W. W. Eager; tree warden, H. A. McFarland; library trustee for three years, Anna B. Thompson; school committee for three years, H. A. McFarland; auditors, A. A. Hubbard, E. L Needham. At the Democratic caucus W. G. Parker was moderator and D. E. Parker secretary. The nominations: Town clerk and treasurer, O. P. Royce; selectmen and overseers, J. H. Walker, O. P. Royce, William Peck; assessors, W. E. Needham, N. S. Bradley, J. H. Walker; cemetery commissioner, Porter Walbridge; library trustee for three years, Anna B. Thompson; collector, T. A. Gandette; auditors, A. A. Hubbard, E. L. Needham; school committee for three years, H. A. McFarland; constables, Thomas Welch, Le Roy Squier.

TOOK POISON BY MISTAKE.

Accidental Death of Amasa P. Adams of Thorndike Saturday.

Amasa P. Adams, 63, died at his home in Thorndike Saturday morning as the result of taking poison instead of medicine, which he intended to take.

Mr. Adams' death was a shock to the community in which he had lived about 21 years. Last Friday evening Mr. Adams, who was the proprietor of a drug store, prepared for a customer some bedbug poison containing carbolic acid. The next morning he prepared some medicine for himself and left it standing upon the case close to the other mixture. He left the store for a few minutes and upon returning drank the poison by mistake. He at once informed his wife, who summoned Dr. Dr. Giroux and Dr. Sullivan, but they were unable to relieve him and he died in about an hour.

Mr. Adams was born in East Chazy, N. H., and came to Thorndike about 24 years ago. He was for a number of years employed as overseer in the Thorndike Co's. mills, but later opened a drug store, which he was conducting at the time of his death. He was postmaster during President Harrison's administration. Mr. Adams was highly respected and esteemed, and had a host of friends who mourn his sudden death. He is survived by a widow and mother, who lives in Thorndike, one brother, Agustus Adams of Malone, N. Y., and a sister, Mrs. Theodore Culver.

The funeral was held from his late home on Commercial street Monday afternoon at 2.30, and the services were in charge of Palmer lodge of Masons, of which Mr. Adams had been a member for 45 years. Rev. Mr. Taylor of the Congregational church officiated, and a quartette, consisting of Messrs. Bodfish, Taylor, McGregory and Moore, sang. There were many handsome floral offerings. Burial was in the cemetery at Four Corners.

WARE TOWN MEETING.

List of Officers; Appropriations Made; Matters Acted Upon.

Ware held its annual town meeting Monday, when 1160 votes were cast. The closest contest of the day was that for tax collector, in which Felix Bombard won over Frederick W. Farrar, who has held the office for 19 years, by only two votes, but a recount was held last night and the vote was declared a tie. Farrar gained one vote on Bombard and the other questioned vote was called a blank. Bombard says that he will contest the election in the courts. Judge H. C. Davis was elected to the school board over John H. Schoonmaker by a vote of 609 to 507. The following officers were elected: Selectmen, Henry O Packard, George D. Storrs, Joseph Dumas Jr.; town clerk and treasurer, Almer F. Richardson; assessors, Edward P. Morse, Michael W. Buckley, Amable Gareau; collector of taxes, Felix Bombard; school committee for three years, Henry C. Davis; overseer of the poor for two years, Alme D. Girard; board of health for three years and water commissioner for three years, Herbert P. Cummings; auditors, Thomas E. Haley, Ernest J. Lefort; constables, Bartholomew W. Buckley, John B. Beauchemin, Maurice Fitzgerald, Thomas H. Rennison; cemetery commissioner for three years, Charles C. Hitchcock.

About 2 in the afternoon Lewis N. Gilbert, for his 25th consecutive year, called the voters to order and business began on the articles in the town warrant. Routine matters were disposed of during the first half hour, and there was no opposition to any of the motions. The selectmen were authorized to establish either an arc or an incandescent street light on West street, near the house of Mrs. E. M. Blair, and also one on School street, but the article to see if the town should establish street lights in Ware Center was laid on the table without dissent. It was voted to raise and appropriate $700 more now in the treasury for making permanent street improvements under the direction of the selectmen, but the article to see if the town would vote to borrow $2500 for this purpose was laid on the table. It was voted to appropriate $350 now in the treasury and raise $600 more to be used in widening and regrading Prospect street. The sum of $1200 was voted for watering such of the public streets as the selectmen may adjudge necessary, and assess one-quarter of the cost on the estates of abutters. It was voted to instruct the tax collector to have stated office hours, as follows: Two hours every morning, three every afternoon, and one every evening for the 10 days preceding August 15, November 1 and February 1.

The article regarding street lights at Ware Center was laid on the table, and the selectmen were authorized to investigate and report as to the cost thereof at some future meeting. The location of a new street to extend northerly from Walnut street to the parochial school was accepted, as was the location of another new street to be known as Bellevue avenue and extend southerly from Sherwin street. The matter of settling or contesting claims for damages arising from the discontinuance of the highway from the house of Joseph Delorme to the road leading from the Greenwich road to Hardwick was left with the selectmen with power to act. There was no opposition to the vote to instruct the selectmen to have the title of Nenameseck Square determined.

The various reports were accepted after a few comments had been made, and the following appropriations were made: Contingent, $2000; town hall, $1400; police, $3200; salaries, $3350; street lights, $5750; military aid, $600; cemeteries, $700; water, $600; discount on taxes, $3300; library, dog fund and $1000; Memorial Day, $150; interest, $3300; highways and bridges, $6000; permanent street improvements, $1100; sidewalks, $1500; sewer maintenance, $500; street sprinkling, $1200; board of health, $500; common schools, $27,500; school incidentals, $5500; town debt, $17,580; poor, $8800; county and state tax estimated, $13,000; total, $108,530 Liquor license: Yes, 631; no, 387.

The selectmen held a meeting Wednesday morning and organized with George D. Storrs as chairman and Joseph Dumas Jr. secretary. The appointed officers were all decided upon except the superintendent of streets. A year ago R. C. Fairbanks was given this position, which for the previous years had been held by George C. Wesson. The delaying until the next meeting of the board in making this appointment has given rise to numerous guesses as to the outcome. Among the more important of the other appointments were: Maurice Fitzgerald, chief, with T. H. Rennison, Bartholomew W. Buckley and John B. Beauchemin, policemen; sealers of weights and measures, Fred E. Marsh; inspector of provisions and also of animals intended for sla

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 31, 1905.

A BEGINNING MADE.

The town has at last made a start along the line which the Journal has so frequently urged, the procuring of a water supply for all the villages of the town, to be owned by the town. The unanimous vote for the appointment of the committee and the appropriation of money for its use evidenced the interest taken in the move by all the villages.

WHAT, INDEED?

What is to be thought of town officials with years of experience who frankly admit in open town meeting that they lack a knowledge of their official duties or that they do not propose to obey the instructions given them by the voters? And what sort of a reputation will the town get abroad under such conditions? After all, it is the voters who must take the blame, for in them lies the power to remedy the matter if they choose.

PROGRESS BEING MADE.

Close students of the town's affairs are congratulating themselves on the several actions in the way of improvement in the conduct of town business which the voters took on Monday. The changes come slowly perhaps, but something was accomplished last year and a large amount this. Probably another year will see still more. In time we may hope to have a model—or at least a satisfactory—condition. It cannot be accomplished all at once, but an object lesson is the surest method of advancing the work.

THEY'LL BE GLAD.

Next year's board of selectmen will be relieved of one duty, the appointment of a superintendent of streets, and will doubtless give thanks for the relief. They would be more thankful if they could be relieved from the necessity of deciding the liquor licenses. It has been suggested that this might be accomplished by act of the Legislature, providing for the election or appointment of a license commission. Such a move would, we believe, be of the highest value to the town in removing this question from all connection with the election of selectmen. It's worth thinking about.

S. AND E. NEXT?

An offer of $225 per share for the stock of the Springfield Street Railway Company having been made by the Consolidated road, the question naturally presents itself whether, if it succeeds in buying the the Springfield company, it will not be looking toward the Springfield and Eastern next. A Springfield man visited Palmer about two weeks ago seeking options on Springfield and Eastern stock; his price was $95 with an option of $3 per share. No money was to be paid down however, the $3 option to be paid only in case the stock was taken before July 1. It is not known that be secured a single share.

WHY?

Monday's town meeting was remarkable for one thing if nothing else—the difficulty which was experienced in getting information from numerous town officials. Perhaps it was unintentional in some instances, but only by dint of long and severe questioning was the knowledge which should have been freely given obtained. The voters have a right to the fullest information regarding the conduct of the town's business, and it should be forthcoming when asked for. In some instances Monday it was a lack of knowledge on the part of the officials, and in others a disinclination to tell, which was responsible for the failure to get the information desired.

A NEW RULE.

The Journal is fifty-five years old with this issue, and has always maintained a rule that communications might at all times find a place in its columns, provided only that they were not of a libelous or scandalous nature, and that the name of the author was made known to the publishers. Of recent years political communications have more and more frequently found a place under this privilege, the issue before election being made use of by writers in an attempt to defeat candidates because of their inability to reply in print after election to any charges, however false, which might be made against them. Because of the possibility of injustice which an unrestricted privilege of this kind presents, numerous weekly papers throughout the state have adopted a rule which will hereafter be in force with the Journal. In the future no communication attacking a candidate for public office will be printed in the last issue of the Journal before election until the person attacked has been shown the communication and given an opportunity to reply to it in the same column. Communications of other natures will be admitted the same as formerly.

ALTHOUGH it is seven years this spring since the Maine was blown up in the harbor of Havana, no attempt has ever been made by the United States government to raise the vessel and determine the exact cause. Now comes Gessler Rosseau, convicted of attempting to blow up a Cunard line steamer by an infernal machine in May, 1903, and asserts that the Maine was blown up by mistake for a Spanish vessel by a machine which he made and disposed of to the Cuban revolutionists. We believe that there would not be the slightest objection to the government spending enough to raise the vessel and determine to the satisfaction of all what bad caused its destruction.

So many of the serious calamities of recent times have been traceable to the negligence or carelessness of someone, that it is gratifying to learn that the disaster at Brockton last week is to be blamed to no one. The explosion of the boiler has been determined to have been due to hidden defects which could not be known, and Massachusetts will be relieved of the obloquy which is justly given some other commonwealths.

THE Japanese army disappeared suddenly one day this week, leaving no trace of its whereabouts, but if the Russians had hope that it had got lost for keeps they were doomed to disappointment, for it bobbed up serenely in a new location as lively as ever. The little brown fellows are showing a wonderful capacity for endurance and a surprising knowledge of how to make all kinds of trouble for their opponents.

ARGUMENTS for a new trial for Tucker, the condemned Massachusetts murderer, have been made, and in the Patterson case at New York J. Morgan Smith and wife, who were considered important witnesses for the prosecution and were subpoened but fled, have been found and arrested. It may be that the public will have a rehash of both of these cases again ere long.

WHILE there is much to dread in the numerous cases of spinal meningitis which are being reported from various sections of the country, it is comforting to know that the experts declare that it is not contagious and that no serious spread of the disease is looked for.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS and particularly Westfield is likely to see much of our "sojers" next summer, for if the present plans are carried out the state militia will be mobilized on the plans between Westfield and Holyoke in July.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Miss K. I. McMahon will have a millinery opening Saturday afternoon and evening, April 1st, and will be pleased to meet old friends, also new ones.

PALMER NEWS.

District Court.

Patrick Shea of Monson was in court Monday because of drunkenness, and was sent to the house of correction for 60 days. Jacob Krammer of Palmer Center was charged with an assault on his wife, but was found not guilty and was discharged.

Tuesday morning's victims was Robert Blackwell, an old soldier, on a charge of drunkenness. He made a plea for leniency and as he had some money and claimed to be able to strike work at once, his case was placed on file. John Cura of Bondsville paid $10 for the privilege of assaulting Joseph Carmody. Charles Stoff, with a court record and a charge of very much drunk against him, had his case continued until May 1. Stoff was picked up on the electric car track by the crew of a Springfield car, and had the crew of the car to thank for his appearance on earth, as he was lying with his head across the rail.

John Rozaniski, insane, was committed to the asylum at Northampton on Tuesday.

Epileptic Hospital Notes.

Dr. Eugene N. Kingman of Providence, R. I., made a short visit on Dr. Flood this week.

The children of Miss Smith's private school of Monson, numbering ten, with their teacher, dined at the hospital yesterday in honor of the seventh birthday of the youngest hospital resident.

Mr. George E. Little, who has been connected with educational work in drawing throughout the different cities of the country, entertained the patients with freehand crayon drawing Tuesday evening.

It may be interesting to know some laundry items connected with the hospital. In one week the employes handle the following number of articles: Sheets, 1540; towels, 1913; pillow slips, 974; tablecloths, 93; napkins, 372; employes' clothing, 1089; patients' body clothes, 1143; total number of pieces, 7124.

Captured After Two Years.

Deputy Sheriff Bills went to Brimfield Tuesday and gathered in Henry Gladden, for whom the officers of Port Henry, N. Y., have been looking for two years. Gladden was wanted for burglary or grand larceny. He was willing to return without extradition papers, and was turned over Wednesday to officers from that place.

D. J. Bentley has returned from Cincinnati, O.

E. R. Pierce spent the first of the week in Boston.

Mrs. C. A. Morrill left this morning for a visit with friends in Maine.

W. D. Clark of Boston visited his family on Thorndike street Sunday.

Fred O. Royce has resigned his position as motorman on the electric road.

Mrs. Frank Lee of Knox street is the guest of relatives in Norwich, Ct.

Clifford Henry of Florence has been visiting friends in town a part of the week.

F. D. Rodenbush and wife of Greenfield, formerly of Palmer, were in town Monday.

The selectmen will hold their regular monthly meeting next Monday afternoon.

Joe Rondina has moved from the Commercial block on Main street to Dublin street.

Miss Mary Holden of Mt. Holyoke College is visiting G. S. Holden on Central street.

Mrs. H. C. Cheney and her mother, Mrs. Nye, have been spending the week in Boston.

A foxhound owned by Clifford Shaw was run over and killed by the cars a few days ago.

Jay Ferry of Providence is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Ferry on North Main street.

Miss Harriet Paine of Pittsfield was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Paine over Sunday.

A. W. Holbrook is the latest auto owner of the place, appearing yesterday with a Cadillac runabout.

Mrs. G. E. Buck and Mrs. H. W. Holbrook and daughter will go next week to Washington, D. C., for a stay.

Newton C. Wing is home from Amherst College for a vacation, and is accompanied by his roommate, Mr. Peacock.

A gospel service will be held at the home of Mrs. William Kurtz on South Main street Tuesday afternoon at 2 30.

Whitcomb & Faulkner have their automobile repair and storage station on Main street completed and in operation.

The overseers of poor will hold their regular meeting for the payment of bills on Wednesday evening of next week.

The residence of L. E. Chandler on North Main street has been connected with the telephone exchange; the call is 8-2.

Prof. Rigdon of Clark University will spend Sunday with his sister, Mrs. A. H. Moulton at the Nassowanno House.

Mrs. Abbie Lawton, who has been visiting friends in Southbridge for some time, has returned to her home in Palmer.

C. W. Robinson has decided to retire from the broom business on account of lack of time to attend to the manufacture.

Mrs. Fred Adams of North Adams is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Stebbins on South Main street.

The committee on water supply will meet next Friday evening at 8 o'clock in D. F. Dillon's office in the bank block.

The high school building committee met last night and organized with D. F. Dillon chairman and W. H. Norton secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jackson of Springfield have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. *John Bradley at Tenneyville this week.*

The insurance on the Lyman Snow house, burned last week, was adjusted Wednesday. It was insured in the Fitch agency.

A. B. C. Deming Jr., teller in the Palmer National Bank, was confined to his home this week by sickness, but is now at his desk again.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Grosvenor, who have been spending the winter in Springfield, returned this week to their home on North Main street.

The annual banquet of the Once-a-Week Club, which has usually been held in Springfield, will be served to-morrow night at the Converse House.

Miss Meacham, who played the organ at the Congregational church a year ago, has been engaged for the coming year and will begin her duties next Sunday.

The board of health has organized with Dr. J. P. Schneider chairman, F. N. Carpenter clerk, Dr. H. C. Emerson pathologist, H. H. Paine fumigator.

Several members of L. L. Merrick Woman's Relief Corps are attending the meeting of the Hampden and Hampshire Association in Springfield to-day.

Mrs. Maria Snow, whose house was burned last week at Shearer's Corner, is stopping for the present with her sister, Mrs. George A. Keith on Pond street.

D. D. Nye of Bourne is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. H. C. Cheney. Mr. Nye is first selectman of his town, having held that position for about 30 consecutive years.

A trolley wire broke on the Mons[illegible] Sunday afternoon at Tenneyville, d[illegible] the 3 o'clock car a half-hour. The wire broke a window in the car, but no one was injured.

Mrs. A. B. C. Deming of Boston is the guest of her son, A. B. C. Deming on King street. Mrs. Frank Porter of Springfield has also been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Deming.

The windows and doors of the Savings Bank block have been fitted with wire screens this week, the Burrowes screens being used. Awnings are also being placed over the windows.

The mudhole under the railroad tracks on Commercial street, caused by the accumulation of snow and ice during the winter, has been cleaned up this week by Selectman Brainerd.

Clarence M. Wing returned last Friday from the South, where he has been employed during the winter, and visited his family until Tuesday, when he left for the South with a gang of men.

There will be a farmers' institute in the district court room this evening, with A. F. Hunter as speaker, and his subject, "Profits from poultry; how to breed, feed and care for poultry to get the best profits."

The subject of the sermon at the Baptist church Sunday morning will be "Christian Morals;" Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E at 6; evening song service at 7, followed by a sermon on "The Passing of Ignorance."

C. A. Morrill has moved his goods from the Dr. Holbrook house to storage in the basement of the house occupied by Dr. Cheney. George Ezekiel has moved from Knox street to the tenement vacated by Mr. Morrill.

Selectman Brainerd was at work yesterday giving Main street a cleaning up, removing the rubbish which had accumulated during the winter and removing the loose stones. The sewer catchbasins were also cleared out.

There will be a service in the Advent chapel Sunday at 3 p. m., when Mrs. Makepeace will give the second in the series "From Egypt to Canaan," illustrated with the blackboard. The subject will be "Discouragement."

Royce's steam carpet cleaning works, which they recently purchased from G. B. Kenerson, are in full operation, and the proprietors will call for and deliver carpets in this village free of charge. The prices for their work will be found in their advertisement in another column.

At the Congregational church Sunday morning Rev. M. O. Patton will take for his subject, "The Valley of Humiliation," the third in the series of Lenten discourses. In the evening the subject will be "Loving as God Loves." The usual mid-week meeting will be held Thursday evening at 7.30.

The seniors of Amherst College will present "The Private Secretary" in the opera house next Tuesday evening. The cast is said to be the finest the college has ever produced, and some good work has been seen here by the seniors in years past. Reserved seat tickets may be procured at Quimby's.

Spring has seemed to land in our midst with a bound. Wednesday was a decidedly hot day, the temperature running up to 80 in the shade; it stood at 72 about 4 in the afternoon. Yesterday was slightly cooler, and last evening shortly after 6 there was a hard thunder shower, with a high wind and a good deal of hail.

A citizen received a severe electric shock Monday evening by touching a pole opposite Thompson's market. Wire had been wound around the pole to prevent the horses biting it, and in some way the wire became charged with electricity. As only one hand was placed on the pole no ill-results followed the shock.

The Knox Hill property, across the river from the village in the town of Monson, was sold at auction Wednesday afternoon by W. A. Barnes in front of his place of business. It started at $800 and ran up by twenty-fives and fifties until $1300 was reach, then along to $1375, at which price it was sold to D. F. Holden. The other active bidder was J. M. Allen.

Miss Tillie Stacy, who has been head waitress at the Converse House for some time, resigned her position this week and was married to Thomas Conrad yesterday in Brockton, where she has gone to housekeeping. Before her departure from the hotel she was presented with a purse of $40 by the guests, W. H. Gifford making the presentation. She is succeeded at the Converse House by Miss Della Sullivan.

The Palmer Woman's Club will meet in the reference room of the public library next Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The program: Paper on the inauguration of President Roosevelt, Mrs. C. B. Fiske; sketch of the life of Gen. Lew Wallace, Mrs. G. A. Moore; paper on the fall of Port Arthur, Miss Blanche Hastings; paper on the internal troubles of Russia, Mrs. R. J. Fuller; general discussion of the war between Russia and Japan.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold an Easter sale and entertainment on Friday, April 14. The sale will be in the afternoon and evening, and in addition to fancy articles there will be tables devoted to handkerchiefs, aprons, stocks, and a "Remembrance" table. The entertainment will be in the evening, and will consist of readings by A. I. Dillon, the reader with the Amherst College Glee Club, old-time music, singers in the costume of ancient days, etc., assisted by Miss Macartney and Mrs. Flynt.

The overseers of poor met Wednesday evening and appointed Dr. Charles Giroux of Three Rivers town physician for the coming year. The contract for supplying the town farm with meat was awarded to Frederick Thompson of Palmer at a discount of 10 per cent from the aggregate monthly bills; there were only two bidders. It was decided to ask for bids for furnishing groceries to the town farm for the year ending April 15, 1906, the successful bidder to receive all the orders in this line. Blanks for the bids have been sent out.

D. W. Dillon, a conductor on the electric road, has resigned his position, to take effect to-morrow night. Mr. Dillon was one of the first conductors on the road, starting with the first cars seven years ago, and is the only conductor now with the road who started at that time; only one other of the original car crews remain, Motorman E. A. Maxwell, and by a strange coincidence he and Mr. Dillon were given a run together when the road started. Mr. Dillon has been a courteous and obliging official, well liked by the patrons of the road. He has had the day run on the Bondsville line for a long time, and leaves the road now on account of ill health. He has not yet decided what he will do.

BONDSVILLE.

House Destroyed by Fire.

Fire broke out and consumed the house owned and occupied by P. J. Keyes and family Wednesday evening. The fire was first noticed about 6 o'clock by John F. Hayes, who was passing. Aid was summoned immediately and a garden hose made use of to a good advantage. The fire was between the partitions at that time and was soon extinguished as was supposed, but about an hour later was seen breaking through one of the upper rooms. An attempt was made to put it out, but without avail. Plenty of time was afforded however to remove the greater part of the furniture including the piano. The property is partially covered by insurance. Mr. and family are staying for the present with Mrs. Keyes's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Garvey.

Olin F. Parent is visiting in Holyoke.

Mr. and Mrs. John Conway visited in Hartford, Ct., yesterday.

Mrs. Thomas Allen of Bernardston was the guest of Mrs. William Morse Tuesday.

Miss Edna Taylor of Amherst spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor.

Rowland McFarlane visited Saturday and Sunday at the home of his mother in Ludlow.

The next meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society will be held at the home of Mrs. Samuel Stewart.

Miss Marion Knowlton of Amherst spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Knowlton.

Mr. and Mrs. Noe Monatt are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter last Sunday night.

A meeting of the trustees of the M. E. church was held in the vestry of the church last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Holden and son Charles are spending a few days in Fitchburg visiting relatives.

Mrs. F. B. Pope and Mrs. E. E. Hart of Bennington, Vt., visited their brother, C. L. Holden yesterday.

Miss Margaret Prindeville of Springfield was the guest of her aunt, Miss Bridget Leary over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Holden have returned from their trip to Washington, D. C., and report a very enjoyable time.

Miss Nora Connors of Belchertown was the guest of Mrs. William Morse over Sunday and the first of the week.

One of the signs that warm weather is near was a large flock of wild geese which flew over the village yesterday.

Mrs. Thompson of Palmer has been spending the week as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Banister.

Miss Ora Parent of Framingham is spending a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Parent.

Mrs. Talmadge, who has been spending the winter with her son, Frank Talmadge in Springfield, returned home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus White of Brimfield visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Collis Wednesday and yesterday.

R. L. Bond has been at work this week, thawing out his water main by the use of a gasoline engine, by which he sends steam into the pipes.

John Manning of Three Rivers has moved his family into the tenement known as the "Farrell" house on the Belchertown side of the river.

Miss Sadie Hobbs of Palmer has taken the position as stenographer for the Boston Duck Co., made vacant by the resignation of Miss Alice Thompson.

Edward Lamb, who has been working in Chicopee for the last few weeks, has returned to this village and taken a position with the Boston Duck Co.

Miss Helen Farnsworth has returned from a vacation spent at her home in Lancaster, Miss Maude Connor from Holyoke and Miss Lucille Dunton from Melrose.

The King's Daughters held a meeting for sewing at the home of Mrs. E G. Childs yesterday afternoon. The next regular meeting of the circle will be held at the home of Mrs. Childs.

The New England Conference of M. E. churches will be held in Melrose this year and will begin April 5th. A week from Sunday there will be no services in the M. E. church, it being Conference Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church have been invited to attend a supper and entertainment in the Wenimisset House in Three Rivers this evening, given by the ladies of the Union church.

Miss Alice Thompson, for the past ten years stenographer in the office of the Boston Duck Co., finishes her duties there this week. Miss Thompson will go to Boston Saturday, where she will attend an optical school.

The evening service in the M. E. church last Sunday took the form of a birthday service to commemorate the birthday of Fanny Crosby, a composer of gospel hymns. Mrs. L. L. Beeman gave an interesting talk on her life and a few of the songs composed by her were sung.

THREE RIVERS.

Crimson Rambler rose bushes and shrubbery in variety at J. T. Geer's Nursery.

Struck by Electric Car.

The horse and wagon of Samuel Winer was struck by the 9.15 Bondsville car Saturday night near the residence of H. A. Shaw. The car was in charge of Motorman Moran and Conductor Tourtelotte and was moving at a fair rate of speed, when the horse, which had been left standing near the sidewalk, became frightened and ran on to the track. The horse was not seriously injured, but the wagon, which was a new one, was badly damaged on the front part. The glass and the headlight on the car were broken and the motorman was cut by flying glass. Mr. Winer was not in his wagon when the accident occurred.

Store Broken Into.

The store of Dominque Accorsi was broken into Saturday night and several dollars worth of tobacco, cigars and matches was stolen, and about $5 in change was taken from the cash drawer. Entrance was gained by a back door, the burglars breaking the glass in the door and unlocking it. The work was evidently that of amateurs, but no arrests have yet been made.

J. Winer has moved his family to Springfield.

E. C. Coburn spent the week in New York.

Miss Belle M. Twiss is working in the post office.

John Manning has moved his family to Bondsville.

Samuel Cole has taken a position in the Palmer Mill.

Robert S. Geer has recovered from his recent illness.

Walter Herran is ill at his home on Bourne street.

Miss Emma Boissey has taken a position with Witkin Bros.

Miss Abbie Burbanks spent Sunday with relatives in Rutland.

R. C. Newell has gone to Clifton Springs, N. Y., for a short stay.

Daniel J. Dunn has resigned his position in Z Lacost's barber shop.

W. F. Fillmore has moved into his new office next to Keith's drug store.

Michael Foley returned Wednesday from a visit with relatives in Holyoke.

The public schools of this place opened Monday after a vacation of one week.

Michael Fogarty of Holyoke is visiting his brother, D. V. Fogarty, on Bourne street.

Charles Burnette has taken a more lucrative position in Pontiac, R. I., and will move his family there.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Union church will serve a baked bean supper at the Wenimisset this evening.

The annual business meeting and roll-call of the First Baptist church will be held next Wednesday evening.

John Horan of Worcester spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Horan on the Belchertown road.

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Wears and covers like gold.

Don't pay $1.50 a gallon for linseed oil, which you do in ready-for-use paint.

Buy oil fresh from the barrel at 60 cents per gallon and mix it with L & M.

It makes paint cost about $1.20 per gallon.

Sold by Asahel Wheeler Co., Boston; W. N. Flynt & Sons, Monson; John Wilson, Three Rivers; F. A. Gurney, Wilbraham; W. [illegible], Palmer.

Miss Marjory Bruce, who is a teacher in the Fairhaven high school, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bruce.

L. L. Keith's drug store was closed Tuesday afternoon because of the death of his father, A. P. Adams of Thorndike.

Mrs. Charles Olmstead, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Upham and Miss Blanche Upham returned Monday from a trip to Washington, D. C.

John Rozaniski was adjudged insane at the district court in Palmer Tuesday and was committed to the Northampton insane hospital.

Charles Fresk and family, Hattie Hubert of Monson and Nelson Demars spent Sunday at the home of Isaac Hubert on Baptist Hill.

The store which W. F. Fillmore has built near the bridge will be occupied by Witkin Bros., who will conduct a retail clothing business.

The subject of Rev. D. C. York's sermon next Sunday morning will be "God's process of grace in Christian lives"; the evening topic will be "Social Amusements."

The funeral of Alphonse Chandenier of Thorndike was held Tuesday in St. Anne's church of this place, Rev. J. V. Campeau officiating. Burial was in St. Anne's cemetery.

At the Union Evangelical church next Sunday morning Rev. Charles Olmstead will preach on "An Ancient Appeal for the Church." The subject for the evening service will be "Making the most of our Environment."

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Burlingame entertained a number of their friends at their home on Baptist Hill Sunday, it being 50 years ago that date that they moved to that place. They received a sum of money and a number of gifts.

Thomas P Pendergast has resigned his position with James Wilson and has taken a more lucrative one in Clinton. Mr. Pendergast came here from Warren three years ago and has made many friends who regret his departure.

Joseph Belanger has moved one of the buildings which stood near his carriage works to the site between his residence and that of Dr. B. A. Green. Mr. Belanger is remodeling the building and will convert it into undertaking rooms.

At a meeting of the H. A. Y. Club Wednesday evening a committee of three was appointed to report at the next meeting on the advisability of forming a baseball club. The committee consists of James Hannivan, D. V. Fogarty and Daniel Dunn.

BORN.

In Bondsville, 26th, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Noe Monatt.

DIED.

In Thorndike, 27th, Mrs. Ida Benard, 37.
In Monson, 26th, Peter Hayes, 80.
In Monson, 29th, Edward J. Lambert, 17.
In Monson, 29th, Mrs. Mercy C. Gould, 80 yrs. 10 mos.
In Springfield, 27th, Alphonse Chandenier, 18, of Thorndike.
In Hudson, 27th, Wilfred Keefe, 12, formerly of Monson.

TENEMENT to rent on Dublin street.
45-tf The C. D. HOLBROOK CO.

TO RENT—Pleasant furnished front room, with heat and bath, centrally located.
51-tf 26 PLEASANT STREET.

EGGS for hatching purposes, bred from pure buff and white Wyandottes. GEORGE H. MILLER, Blanchardville. 52-3

STOCK HAY and second-hand brick for sale. Inquire at house of G. E. BUCK, North Main street, or warehouse of E. A. BUCK & CO., Palmer. 52-tf

BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK EGGS from choice stock. 50 cents per setting. G. W. ELLIOTT, Maplewood Farm, South Belchertown, Mass. 52-tf

FOR SALE—Cushion-tired top buggy; open buggy, hard rubber tires; piano-box carriage; Concord buggy; Buckboard. All new. J. F. TWISS, Three Rivers, Mass.

WANTED—Information in regard to my copies of "The Orcutt Girls" and "Sue Orcutt," lost several months ago. 50-tf MRS. M. A. BURT, Monson, Mass.

EGGS from winning strain of heavy layers, Buff Plymouth Rocks, four prize birds competing with birds from three states. Sittings $1.00 per 15. CHARLES H. KEITH, Palmer, Mass. 50-6

EGGS FOR HATCHING—1 pen Bradley strain Barred Plymouth Rocks, 1 pen William Ellery Bright strain Barred Plymouth Rocks, also single comb Brown Leghorn. Eggs $1.00 setting (13) Leghorn, eggs $1.50 setting Plymouth Rocks. 53-tf EDWIN A. BUCK.

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This applies to the men and the women alike.

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Carpets in the village of Palmer called for and delivered free of charge.

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Horses weigh from 1200 to 1500 lbs., are all in good condition, been used in our business. Some extra good teams.

Having sold our ice at wholesale, we will sell harness, wagons, single and double carts, heavy sawdust wagons.

CONSUMERS' ICE & FUEL CO.
H. M. Clemence, Auctioneer.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Laura M. Moulton, late of Brimfield, in the County of Hampden, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to 51-3

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March 15, 1905.

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Those who have used them want no other.

"They fit" is the verdict of all buyers.

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Don't break your back washing clothes

In the old-fashioned way with a scrubbing board and washtub, with your hands in hot water for hours, when you can do better work in less time and with only half the fatigue if you will only

Use the White Lily Washing Machine.

The cut shows its construction. You put the clothes and hot water and soap in it and turn the crank—the machine does the rest.

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Call and take a look at one, we'll be glad to show them to you.

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FIRE DISTRICT MEETING.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—HAMPDEN, ss.

To the qualified voters of Fire District No. 1 of Palmer, you are hereby notified to meet at the Court Room of the District Court of Eastern Hampden, in said Palmer, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of April next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose a Clerk, Treasurer, Prudential Committee, Board of Engineers, Auditor and all other officers and committees that may be necessary for the ensuing year and give them instructions.

ART. 3. To hear the report of the Treasurer, Prudential Committee, Board of Engineers, Auditor, and all other officers and committees and act on the same.

ART. 4. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to pay the expenses of the Fire Department for the ensuing year.

ART. 5. To see what action the District will take towards paying the Board of Engineers, Firemen and Treasurer for the ensuing year and raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary.

ART. 6. To see if the District will vote to employ a Fire Patrol for the ensuing year and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 7. To take such action as may be necessary to supply the District with water for the ensuing year and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART 8. To see if the District will vote to purchase a modern hose wagon and raise and appropriate money for the same

Given under my hand this thirtieth day of March, 1905. F. D. BARTON, 53-2
Clerk of Fire District No. 1 of Palmer.

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House with barn, handy to electrics, 5 cent fare to Palmer, Three Rivers, Bondsville and Thorndike; price $1000.

House in Three Rivers with acre of land, at a bargain, easy terms.

The A. E. Gould place, large house and barn, with about seven acres land in village of Bondsville; can be bought on terms which are easy.

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Washburn & Crosby's "Superlative" Flour $6.90 per barrel

For one week only, commencing Saturday morning, April 1.

There is no "April Fool" about this offer, as this flour is known far and wide as one of the best bread flours milled.

1-8 barrel packages, 90 cents.

E. B. Taylor's grocery, Palmer.

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Use the best.

The Lowe Bros. High Standard Paints

They wear longer, look better and cost less than other high grade Paints.

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Hellyar's Bargain Store.

Just Received!

New Ladies' Neck Wear.

Some very choice styles	15c
Black Sateen Skirts	50c to $2 25
Percale Wrappers	67c, 87c, 98c, $1.25, $1.37
Lace and Muslin Curtains	39c, 57c, 98c pair
Sash Curtains (3 patterns)	25c pair

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of Prints, Ginghams, Percales, Cottons, Lawns, Silkalines, Silicians, Lonsdale Cloth.

All on 50c Gentlemen's Neckwear now 25c.

Soft and Stiff Hats at half price.

Bargains let loose in every department.

Hellyar's Bargain Store,
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Monuments.

The real estate now occupied by us must be sold and we are forced to seek a new location.

Rather than move our present stock we shall close it out at a great sacrifice. The stock comprises an immense assortment of beautiful monuments in marble and granite at all prices from $10 to $500.

Rare opportunity at the opening of the monument season.

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These fine days you must get out with the babies.

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In either case see our splendid assortment. All popular makes with every new improvement at prices from **$3 up.**

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Monson News.

The Town Warrant.

The town warrant of 30 articles has been posted the past week at the usual places. Most of the articles are practically the same as appear each year. Among the new articles is one asking for an appropriation for a gravel walk on Pearl street past the Catholic cemetery; another one for an appropriation for a gravel walk on Reynolds avenue to the residence of Lewis Rogers. There is an article asking for an appropriation for an electric light on Reynolds avenue and another asking for two on Thompson street. Last year the latter article was inserted in the warrant, but as no one appeared in favor of the article, it was passed over, as is usual in cases of that kind. Another article appears which was in the warrant last year, asking for an appropriation for a steam heating system at the town farm. There is an article asking for an appropriation for the relay and widening of Harrison avenue from Flynt avenue to Mill street; one asking for an appropriation to extend the fire alarm system from Box 23 at the corner of Mechanic and Thompson streets to a point near the W. N. Flynt Granite Co's. office. There is an article in regard to a new lease of the land on Main street for ten years, on which stands the engine house No. 1, at a price of $35 per year. This is an advance on the present price, under the present lease which expires in June.

Academy Notes.

Charles Lu spent Sunday with friends in Springfield.

The basketball team had their pictures taken Monday afternoon.

Miss Johnson has gone to her home in Leominster to spend the vacation.

Miss Parker of Holyoke visited her sister at Cushman Hall the first of the week.

School closed to-day for a vacation of 10 days. The spring term will commence th[illegible]ening at 8 o'clock.

The Glee Club composed of members from the Philo Society will make their first appearance the first Friday evening of the spring term.

The recital given at the school chapel Wednesday evening by the pupils of Miss [illegible]y of Springfield, was largely attended. A very interesting program was rendered.

Baseball practice has started on Sullivan's field under the direction of Coach Dunfield and there is a bright outlook for a winning team. The members of last year's team, who are out practicing, are Cahill c, Norcross 1st, Briggs 2d, Hynes 3d, English l f, Graves r f. Among the new material, Rourke, Faulkner, Page, Maguire and Giffin are showing up exceptionally well.

Death of Peter Hayes.

Peter Hayes, 80, an old and respected citizen of this town, died at his home above South Monson Sunday morning. Mr. Hayes was born in Kenmare County, Rexford, Ireland, and came to this country when 19 years of age. Since then he had lived in Monson, with the exception of a few years spent in Ware. He was a man of remarkable activity and one of the most successful farmers in town. He leaves a son Richard and a daughter Mary of this town, and a daughter, Mrs. E. Steel of Wethersfield, Ct., also one grandchild, Mrs. John S. Lynch and one great grandchild, Robert F. Lynch, both of Wales. The funeral was held from St. Patrick's [illegible]h Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, with a solemn high mass of requiem celebrated by Rev. Thomas O'Keefe, assisted by Rev. John O'Keefe of Clinton and Rev. P. J. O'Malley of Monson. There was a large attendance of friends and relatives. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery.

Republican Caucus.

There was a large attendance at the Republican caucus held in Memorial Hall last Friday evening. R. H. Cushman was chosen chairman and J. C. Parsons clerk. The following nominations were made: Town clerk, Carlos L. Peck; treasurer, Thaddeus L. Cushman; selectmen and overseers of the poor, William H. Anderson, Orrin C. McCray and H. M. Smith; tax collector, Carlos L. Peck; assessors, A. A. Babbitt, F. Q. Ball, J. E. Rindge; school committee for three years, M. F. Moore, Rev. N. M. Pratt; water commissioner for three years, F. Q. Ball; cemetery commissioner for three years, Carlos L. Peck; constables, R. C. Murray, H. D. Osborne, T. J. Sault, George W. Seymour, Charles H. Stacy; fence viewers, Cady Blanchard, Lester Howe, Henry A. Rindge; auditors, Lyman C. Flynt and Alvin E. Shaw.

What Was the Matter With Him?

Martin Dorset, a well-known character of this town, gave a peculiar exhibition on Main street Tuesday morning. He was first seen in the [illegible] rook which runs down [illegible] washing a pair of [illegible] salist church, where he removed the shoes he wore and put on those he had just washed. He then crossed the street to the cannon mounted on the lawn in front of Memorial Hall, where he went through the manoeuvers of a sham battle; in the engagement he fell as if badly wounded. He was finally quieted and started for his home in Colton Hollow. When seen there Wednesday morning he had the appearance of a drunken man, but it is not known that he ever used intoxicants, and it is more probable that he is mentally unbalanced.

Mrs. J. C. Parsons spent Sunday in Springfield.

Dr. and Mrs. P. W. Soule spent Sunday with friends at Northampton.

E. J. Lyons was in Boston the first of this week.

W. G. Severy of Springfield visited relatives here Tuesday.

Mrs. E. E. Fiske of Springfield visited friends here this week.

Miss Ella Carey of Westfield spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Babbitt spent Sunday at Manchester, Ct.

Mrs. Fred Williams is at the hospital in Springfield for treatment.

T. J. Lynch has recovered from a severe attack of quincy sore throat.

Rev. C. C. Lyon is visiting his brother, C. P. Lyon in the Pease district.

O. M. Graves will sell his personal property at auction next Wednesday.

Miss Alice Parke has returned from a several weeks' stay in New York.

Mrs. C. W. Jackson and Miss Nellie Squier spent Tuesday in Boston.

John Butler of East Hill will move his family to Green street next week.

R. S. Hughes has been in Boston this week attending the art exhibition.

Miss Elizabeth Hanson has been spending a few days with friends in Boston.

Sunday school will be held in the Silver Street chapel Sunday afternoon at 2.30 [illegible] has gone to the hospital in Springfield for treatment.

There will be a whist party at the Quaboag Country Clubhouse Tuesday evening, April 11th.

Charles H. Stacy has sold his farm on the Wilbraham road to A. L. Noyes of Springfield.

M. G. Gavin & Co will hold their spring millinery opening next Tuesday and Wednesday.

George Anderson has moved from Green street into M. K. O'Brien's tenement on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Burke of Rockville, Ct., spent Sunday with Ernest Rees on Main street.

A party of 13 went to Springfield Tuesday night to see Maxine Elliott in "Her Own Way."

A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, held their regular meeting in Grand Army hall Tuesday night.

Miss Agnes Dillon has returned to the Westfield Normal School after a several days' vacation.

Sumner R. Hall of Orange, N. J., has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Davis at South Monson.

A party of nine people went to Springfield Monday night to attend the Boston Symphony concert.

Mrs. Lillian Buckman of Woburn has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. A. Needham this week.

N. F. Rourke has been engaged as overseer of the finishing department at S. F. Cushman & Sons' mill.

Miss Carrie Chapin entertained a whist party of three tables at her home on Green street Saturday evening.

Frank Foley, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Foley, is ill with pneumonia at his home at the Monson House.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Rathbun of Springfield spent Sunday with Mr. Rathbun's mother on Harrison avenue.

S. W. Lyon, the plumber, is moving his business from near the depot to A. H. Danforth's block on Main street.

Miss Lavina Dodge of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society will speak at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

A. A. Babbitt has bought the James Stall farm at South Coventry, Ct., and will move his family there some time in April.

The golf season has opened at the Quaboag Club links this week, several of the members having commenced playing.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ellis have returned from a several weeks' stay in Georgia, and are at present stopping in Springfield.

Mrs. J. H. Carpenter was called to Amherst this week on account of the serious illness of Miss Emma Carpenter.

Robert Flynt of Amherst College is spending a two-weeks' vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Flynt on High street.

The subject of the sermon at the Universalist church Sunday morning will be "The Christian Meaning of Self-renunciation."

W. Eugene Manchester of Boston has been spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Manchester on Gates street.

George L. Holdridge has been [illegible] mail carrier on route No [illegible] ness of his son, Fay Holdr[illegible] carrier.

The Fortnightly Club will meet Monday night with Mrs. P. W. Soule. The program will be in charge of Mrs. George L. Fuller.

Marcus Keep, Woman's Relief corps, will meet April 12th and a large attendance is desired as there is important business to transact.

The Teachers' Study Club will meet Saturday night with Supt. F. A. Wheeler. Papers will be read by Miss Stevenson and Miss Darrah.

Miss Helen M. Needham of the school of domestic science of Boston is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Needham on Lincoln street.

Monson lodge of Odd Fellows will hold a smoke talk and roll call at their regular meeting Monday night. Refreshments will be served.

Frank Turner, hostler for John Curley, has been unable to work this week on account of a sore wrist, the result of being kicked by a horse.

Miss Lilian Duncan of Norwood is spending a two-weeks' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Duncan on the Hampden road.

C. Walter Carpenter and friend, Mr. Rogers of the Amherst Agricultural College, have been spending a week with Mrs. J. H. Carpenter on East Hill.

Marcus Keep Woman's Relief Corps will serve the usual election day dinner in Grand Army hall Monday noon. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The Three Rivers district Sunday school association will hold a Sunday school workers' institute in the Congregational church in Monson Saturday, April 29th.

A. S. Roe of Worcester will speak before the Men's Club of the Congregational church on "Good Citizenship," at their regular meeting Monday evening, April 10.

Miss Mary Leonard has resigned as teacher in the Pease district school to take a position in the North Adams training school and will be succeeded by Miss Ruth Johnson.

Eugene Hodge is moving from Lambert's block on South Main street into Dr. George E Fuller's house on Park avenue, recently vacated by Henry Needham, who has moved to Wales.

John T. McNaught of Wilton, N. H., has been employed as boss dyer at S. F. Cushman & Sons' woolen mill. Mr. McNaught was employed in this same position until the shut-down several months ago.

The selectmen have appointed election officers for Monday as follows: Edward F. Cushman, S. F. Cushman, H. D. Vaille, W. L. Ricketts, John F. Crowley, N. A. Bugbee, John J. Pendergast and E. J. Lyons.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Hull, who have been spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tucker on East Hill, have removed to Detroit, Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Hull have made many friends here who regret their departure.

Wilfred, the 12-years-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Keefe of Hudson, former residents of this town, died at their home in Hudson Monday of meningitis. The body was brought to Monson for burial in the Catholic cemetery Wednesday.

Rev. N. M. Pratt will preach in the Congregational church Sunday morning on "The Tower of Salome." There will be singing by a quartette composed of Miss Baldwin of North Wilbraham, soprano; Miss Coney of Ware, alto; Mr. Rycroft of West Warren, tenor; C. F. Orcutt of Monson, bass. Mr. Pratt will speak in the Pease district schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Edward J., 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lambert, died at his home on Hampden avenue Wednesday morning of diabetes, having been in poor health for some time. He leaves, besides his parents, one sister, Mrs. John Galvin of this town, and two brothers, John of Baltimore and William of Indian Orchard. The funeral was held from St. Patrick's church this morning and burial was in the Catholic cemetery.

The recital by Arthur Washington, the blind pianist, Monday evening was an exhibition long to be remembered. Many went simply to hear a blind man play and were well repaid, being captivated by the music. Miss Richards' singing was well received, and the accompanist, Prof. W. V. Abeel, proved himself a master in that art. The entire concert was of high grade and reflects credit upon the Hartford Conservatory of Music.

Miss E. R. Holmes has made an offer to the scholars of the public schools, which should tend to increase their interest in the growing of flowers and vegetables. She offers to provide seeds for the scholars and will give prizes for the best results at the close of the season. The varities for which seed will be provided are aster, dianthus, marigold, nasturtium, phlox, zinnea, sweet peas, beets, corn, squash, tomatoes and musk melon. In the first four grades each scholar may select one kind of vegetable and one kind of flower seeds, and in the fifth to the ninth grades two of each kind of vegetables and flowers. These seeds will be furnished by the teachers to those who wish to compete. There will be three prizes for each variety 75, 50 and 25 cents.

Mrs. Mercy C. Gould, aged 80 years and 10 months, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry N. Butler on Harrison avenue Wednesday morning of old age, having been in poor health for some time. Mrs. Gould was born in Warwick, and was the widow of Henry C. Gould, who died about 44 years ago. She had made her home in Monson most of the time for the past 15 years, and was a woman of sterling qualities and was highly respected by all who knew her. She leaves five children, Alonzo Gould in the West, Lorenzo of Wendell, and Mrs. Jason Keep, Harland Gould and Mrs. Henry Butler of this town. Also two brothers, Joseph Wheelock of North Brookfield and [illegible]

THORNDIKE.

Stephen Clark is ill this week at his home on Church street.

Misses Minnie Otis and Annie Brosnan spent Sunday with relatives in Worcester.

Miss Ida Coleman of Ware visited her aunt, Mrs. Gingraw on Main street this week.

Mrs. Ernest Masse entertained out-of-town friends at her home on Main street Monday.

Miss Marion Sands returned this week from a week's visit with her parents in Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. George Keith have returned from a two-months' visit in New Brunswick.

Mrs. James Flynn of Hartford, Ct., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Michael Holden on Pine avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tagan of Warren visited Mr. and Mrs. M. Lawlor on Summer street Monday.

Mrs. H. T. Bishop has returned from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. P. Murphy in Hartford, Ct.

Master Elton LaDuke returned Sunday from a visit with his grandparents in North Wilbraham.

Miss Mamie Holden returned Monday from a visit with her cousin, Annie McDonald in Monson.

Miss Mary Roche of New York was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Roche on the Ware road this week.

Thomas Morrison of Springfield spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Frank McCuska on Harvey avenue.

Mrs. Mary O'Connor of Worcester is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Connor and family at Mt. Dumplin.

Daniel O'Connor of South Hadley Falls is the guest of his sister, Mrs. James F. Loftus, on Commercial street.

Miss Katherine Fleming will hold her spring and summer millinery opening next Thursday and Friday evenings.

Miss Grace Murphy of Hartford, Ct., is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bishop on Commercial street.

Edgar McManns of Springfield visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Longtine Sr. and family on Church street Sunday.

Mrs. D. J. Shiel has returned from New York and will hold her millinery opening Friday and Saturday, April 14 and 15.

Miss Blanche N Murdock of Boston and Ernest Potter of New York spent Saturday with Mrs. Fannie Andrews on Main street.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Congregational church will serve a baked-bean supper next Wednesday evening from 6 30 to 8.

Alphonse, the 18-years-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Chandenier of Church street, died at the House of Mercy hospital in Springfield Monday afternoon at 1 30, after undergoing an operation for appendicitis. The deceased leaves besides a father and mother, five brothers and two sisters. The funeral was held Wednesday morning from St. Anne's church in Three Rivers at 9 o'clock wi[illegible] a mass of requiem, Rev. Father [illegible] officiating. Mr[illegible] wife [illegible] Ben-[illegible]

father and mother, three sisters, Delia Roberts and Mrs. Harry Dupont of Three Rivers and Mrs. Henry Coleman of Chicago, Ill., and a brother, Arthur in Three Rivers. The funeral was held yesterday morning from St. Anne's church in Three Rivers with a mass of requiem, Rev. Fr. Campeau officiating. Burial was in St. Anne's cemetery, Three Rivers.

HOLLAND.

W. P. Moore is in Springfield as juryman.

Mrs B. C. Bennett, who has been ill with grip, is improving.

E. F. Switzer of Cambridge spent Sunday in town at the home of his parents.

Milledge Moore, who has been attending school in Holden, is at home for a vacation of a week.

Edward Lawrence of Leicester returned home the first of the week from a visit with his son Charles.

L. G. Willis of Cortland, N. Y., has been spending the past week with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Willis.

Rev. J. G. Willis closed his labors with the Congregational church last Sunday. Rev. Samuel Eaton of Brimfield has been engaged as pastor for the ensuing year, commencing April 2.

The following officers of the Congregational church have been chosen for the coming year: Clerk and treasurer, Mrs. Ella Webber; deacon, F. B. Blodgett; church committee, Mrs. A. Howlett, F. Blodgett, W. Williams. And of the Sunday school: Secretary and treasurer, Mrs. W. L. Webber; superintendent, Freeman Blodgett; assistant superintendent, Mrs. Ella Webber.

HAMPDEN.

Republican Caucus.

The Republican caucus was held in Hampden Wednesday evening, and these nominations were made: Clerk and treasurer, Charles I. Burleigh; selectmen, H. H. Thresher, C. A. Whittaker, George A. Chapin; assessor, H. C. Butterworth; school committee for three years, John M. Isham; auditor, R. S. Teast; constables, E. Lyons, T. R. Isham, M. Teast, M. Casey; library trustee, James Mulroney; road commissioner, S. E. Woodward; tree warden, M. H. Warren.

The town schools opened Monday after the spring vacation, with the exception of No. 1 advanced, which reopened Tuesday. Miss Russell of Ipswich will succeed Miss Griswold in the Center school.

William Leach, who, with Mrs. Leach, observed his golden wedding anniversary March 6, is in the Springfield hospital, undergoing a surgical operation for the removal of a cataract from his eye. Mr. Leach is doing as well as can be expected, but will have to remain in the hospital for some time.

WARE.

Miss Eva Webber has secured a position in the office of Joseph Dumas Jr.

Miss Ruby S. Clark of Boston has been spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Paul R. Bridgman.

The Study Club held its last meeting of the season Wednesday evening with George E. Tucker, who acted as chairman. Dr. E. G. Blodgett read a paper on "Racial Development."

The annual meeting of the Unitarian Society was held in the church Monday evening, when these officers were elected: Moderator, Charles E. Stevens; clerk, James Edmonds; prudential committee, C. E. Stevens, E D. Howard, J. G. Lincoln; treasurer, C. E Stevens; collectors, J. G. Lincoln, J. E. Allen; music committee, John N. Robinson, J. E. Allen, Charles F. Hills.

A meeting of the school board was held Tuesday afternoon, and it organized as last year with Judge Henry C. Davis as chairman, Dr. D. M. Ryan secretary and George W. Dunham treasurer. The board voted unanimously to reappoint G. W. Cox as superintendent of the schools for a fourth year. The appointment of the teachers was not taken up, but the board will have to look for a new music teacher, as Miss Georgianna B. Smith of Pittsfield, who was secured a year ago, has tendered her resignation, to take effect at the end of this school year in June.

The annual meeting of the Golf Club was held in the Ha[illegible] House parlors Tuesday evening, and these officers were elected: President, H. W. Sibley; vice president, H. K. Hyde; secretary, C. W. Booth; treasurer, E. J. Brannigan; directors, forming executive committee with officers, David Woolley, James Dugan, Miss Mary E. Dennen. The executive committee met after the club meeting and chose as house committee, Messrs. Dugan and Booth, the Misses Dennen and Katherine Kelley and Mrs. George D. Storrs; greens committee, J. G. Lincoln, G. D. Storrs, P. R. Bridgman; handicap committee, C. B. Wetherby, Misses Elizabeth Moran and Mildred Merriam.

BELCHERTOWN.

A Peculiar Fire.

The following statement has been given out by Fire Inspector G. F. Crittendo and Maj. James McKay of the state police force concerning a recent fire in Belchertown: A dwelling house and barn, owned by Mrs. Mary Sadler of Springfield, formerly proprietor of the Mansion house boarding house and Union lunch rooms in Northampton, was burned to the ground by a third fire. The second fire occurred 14 hours after the first had been extinguished, and the third 17 hours after the second. The owner of the furniture, Joseph Lapolice, who is employed in Chicopee, was summoned home by telephone after the second fire, and undertook [illegible] and barn to the ground. He was the only person in the house and the nearest residence was about 300 yards away.

The district schools will reopen Monday.

Miss Ethel Towne has returned from a visit in Fitchburg.

Mr. Sauer, who has, with his wife, been employed by A. M. Baggs, cattle dealer, during the past two years, has rented a farm in West Ware.

G. A. Lynn, who has recently been appointed general agent for the Roller bar closer company of Springfield, will make his future home in Albany, N. Y., having been appointed agent for that state.

The library will be closed for two weeks after Saturday, April 1. All books that have been out two weeks or more at the time of closing will be subject to fines if not returned or recharged previously.

The ways and means committee of the Congregational church held a meeting Monday evening. A committee was appointed consisting of A. L. Kendall, Mrs. M. D S. Longley and Mrs. F. L. Stebbins to solicit for a treasury deficiency, and began the good work immediately.

The euchre party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Shumway Wednesday evening was well attended, 15 tables being in use. The prizes were awarded to Mrs. A. M. Baggs, Mrs. A. D. Moore, F. G. Shaw, C. L. Judkins and J. A. Peeso.

WEST WARREN.

Joseph E. S. Dufresne has returned to Southbridge, where he has taken a position.

Robert Carey spent a part of the week at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs. Thomas Carey on Main street.

Division 27 of Hibernians admitted six new members by initiation at a meeting in Phaneuf's hall Sunday afternoon.

Miss Gertrude I. Moody has returned to her home on High street after a four-weeks' visit with friends in Providence.

Adoph Benoit has leased his farm on the old Brown road, 2½ miles from Warren, to Arthur Currier of Ware. Mr. Benoit has removed with his family to West Warren.

The funeral of William John Teagan, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Teagan, who died Thursday afternoon of last week, was held in St. Thomas's church Saturday morning at 9, Rev. Philias Trottier officiating. There were many beautiful floral offerings, among them being a pillow from schoolmates in grade 8 of the public schools The bearers were Timothy Hennebry, Frank Bennett, James McKeon and Thomas Cantwell. Burial was in Warren.

Louis Hall, who was employed as night fireman in the boiler-room near No. 1 mill, was found in an unconscious condition in the boiler-room about 7 30 Sunday evening by the night watchman, Michael Kerrigan. Hall was removed to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Hall on Dean street, and a doctor was summoned. Hall soon regained consciousness, and it was found that he was suffering severely from a bruise in the small of his back. He claimed that he was injured by an unknown assailant, who apparently threw a lump of coal through one of the boiler-room windows. It could not be learned who Hall's assailant was, nor the motive.

Robert Chapman, 47, died at his home on Chapel street Wednesday morning of bronchitis. Mr. Chapman, who had been in poor health for over a year, was taken seriously ill Saturday, and failed rapidly till his death. He was born in Paisley, Scot., and had lived in West Warren about 17 years. He was formerly employed as core-maker in the George F. Blake Manufacturing company in Warren until their removal to East Cambridge. He was married three times; his third wife died May 5, 1903 He leaves a son, James, [illegible]rs old, also two brothers and [illegible]

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Our Legislative Letter

BOSTON, MARCH 29, 1905.

Another week has seen the harmony between governor and Legislature not only unbroken, but rather strengthened by the further developments. Defeated as Gov. Douglas has been on his recommendations for reciprocity, tariff revision and a commission to investigate the industrial conditions of the state, yet such defeat has been set down to the inevitable differences between the party policies and has not caused any adverse comment upon the peaceful relations between the executive and the legislative departments. But the governor has scored a distinct success in the report of the education committee in favor of a commission of nine to investigate and report to the next Legislature upon industrial and technical education. As this commission is to inquire into conditions affecting manufactures, agriculture, education and labor, and as it can incorporate into its report the conclusions reached by other states and foreign countries, it is evident that its powers and possibilities are very large and that it may report to the state conclusions which may form the basis of important legislation. If our mills are going South, our shoe factories and furniture establishments to the West, and if our tariff against Canada shuts up our natural market in that direction and makes commercial enemies of those who would be glad to be our friends and customers, it is evident that something must be done to keep our capital prosperous and our labor employed and that party politics is pretty small business in comparison. As the committee report was unanimous, it is to be expected that the resolve will pass, unless a wholly unexpected turn is given to the matter. A majority of the committee are Republicans, of course, and so is the Legislature, and that would seem to settle it, in the ordinary course.

No new developments have occurred regarding the state finances, save to confirm the belief that the state tax this year must be at least $4,000,000 and perhaps $4,500,000. It is evident that the money from Washington which is held up by the cotton claim will not be available to relieve the burden for this year. Gov. Douglas has had his way about some part of the gypsy moth bill, but the people of the district, while conceding to him that the commission shall be single headed, instead of triple, are insistent upon the appropriation of $400,000, not over half of which can be spent in any one year. But the burden will not come much upon the state this year. It is already so late,—and the bill has not been reported from the committee on ways and means,—that nothing can be done with the state money this spring. The residents of the infested district are doing a great deal by municipal and individual effort and will hold down the pest, doubtless, in streets and on small lots leaving large wooded areas to swarm anew with caterpillars as soon as warm weather comes. The plan now is to pass the appropriation bill in due form, leisurely and properly, and have the commissioner lay his plans without being crowded and get at the work of destroying nests by September. Such is the program, running the risk of the immense multiplication of the pest and the destruction of forest and fruit trees by another summer's opportunity.

Former Mayor Matthews, saying he represented Gov. Douglas, has presented a bill regarding municipal lighting plants which bears with importance on the prospect of that modern idea. It proposes that no charge shall be made to the public for anything which the public gave and that if a company sells out to the public, it shall charge only what such a plant would cost. Franchise, good will, business prospects, dividend-earning power and so on are to count for nothing.

It is the time of the session when important matters crowd each other and have less opportunity for discussion. A wholly new subject was before the House Tuesday afternoon, brought up by Mr. Crossman of Berlin, a new member who had not opened his mouth before. But he made a good contest and won the sympathy of the House as he exposed the extortion of the United Shoe Machinery [illegible] royalty a [illegible]ots and shoes an expense which made [illegible] materially to the cost of the product. [illegible]ms which the company imposes upon all who make contracts are so severe that no improvements in machinery can be introduced, nor can any other machine be used than is permitted by the monopoly. The royalty charged is so large that it cannot be paid unless a large product is turned out, and so all small producers are driven out of the business and only wealthy manufacturers are left in the field. It was said in the debate that Gov. Douglas pays from $9000 to $11,000 per month royalty for the use of machinery controlled by this company. At a recent hearing on the tariff Joseph H. Walker of Worcester said that this United Shoe Machinery Company was a much greater burden on the shoe business than upon hides and leather, and he said that he spoke from experience. The popular side of the debate had the sympathy of even the opponents of Mr. Crossman's bill to put a penalty upon the monopolistic use of machinery, but Mr. Taft of Worcester led the opposition to the bill, saying that while he sympathized with the bill, yet the United States courts had passed upon the whole matter and no state law would be valid where the manufacturer is in Massachusetts and the leasing company is outside. While, therefore, nothing can be done here, the incident reveals another source of popular rebellion against the existing order of things.

The committee on election laws has reported unanimously to the House a bill which will abolish nearly all of the political conventions and substitute direct nominations by the people at the primaries, as caucuses under the Luce law are termed. There is much opposition to the bill evident and it is too early to say what will be the outcome.

Worcester, Springfield, North Adams, Haverhill and other cities outside of the Hub were interested for the passage of the bill to permit clerks in retail stores to work evenings for ten days before Christmas for the accommodation of the holiday trade. The law of last year forbids and these merchants want the old order of things restored. But the philanthropists and labor men of Boston who want to hold every inch of ground gained in the labor cause, opposed the bill and carried the House with them by 57 to 103. So shoppers must attend to their business in the daytime, unless they are willing to be waited on by inexperienced clerks evenings.

Consequences of the Brockton disaster have been evident in the introduction of bills to require better inspection of boilers and in the reporting of a bill by the insurance committee to permit a rival to the Hartford Steam Boiler and Insurance Company, which has at present a monopoly of that branch of business. Last year an effort was made to pass a bill permitting competition, but the monopoly secured its defeat. Now it is to be seen whether the disaster has made any difference in the situation.

Next Tuesday the House will begin forenoon sessions. This will be about three weeks earlier than last year and is the earliest for many years. If the Legislature should be prorogued in May, it would beat the record since 1888, and then they did it only by throwing over to the next year business they ought to have done. There are yet many important matters pending, but the work is much better advanced and of smaller volume than usual.

It has been a long fight on the picketing bill and for the first time in several years the bill has been defeated in the House. Yesterday there was a close vote against it and to-day an effort was made to secure reconsideration on the strength of the statement that some Brockton member had amendments to offer which were thought to be acceptable to the opponents of the bill, so that it would command a majority of the House. But the argument did not work and the vote to reconsider showed a small adverse majority. This indicates that the labor element in the House is not quite as strong as it has been in some recent years, though there are so many different labor measures that the defeat of one does not indicate necessarily the defeat of another.

The bill to require county employees to be a resident of the county they serve was defeated by a large majority. The support for it rested upon the slim ground that seven employees of Suffolk county did not live in the county. As there was not a word of complaint from any other part of the state, it was argued that this was too small a complaint to require notice, and so the bill was defeated with a large majority.

One of the queer bills of the week has been that to require all land-owners to cut out all the wild carrot on their land within 400 feet of another property-owner, so as to prevent the distribution of seed. The Senate defeated the bill once, but Senator Chamberlain of Worcester, who is particularly interested, secured reconsideration and the bill still has a standing, but with the chances against its becoming law.

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BOWLING.

Three Rivers 2477, Smith & Murray 2427

The Three Rivers team defeated the Smith & Murray team of Springfield by 50 points Monday evening on Tufts's alleys. The score:

Three Rivers.				
Story,	185	178	152	515
Lavene,	176	190	102	468
Trickett,	172	144	132	448
Upham,	190	157	200	547
Frame,	160	180	159	499
Total,	883	849	745	2477
Smith & Murray.				
LaPerle,	144	199	176	519
Richter,	138	168	139	442
Meagher,	152	177	131	460
Lyons,	160	220	162	542
Ludwig,	160	161	143	464
Total,	754	922	751	2427

Palmer 1203, Three Rivers 1091.

Palmer beat Three Rivers 3 to 1 in a candlepin league game on Bond's alleys in Thorndike Monday night. The score:

Palmer.				
Tufts,	92	67	93	252
Ahearn,	92	74	94	260
Holden,	71	78	75	224
McBride,	73	73	73	219
Roche,	87	76	85	248
Total,	415	368	420	1203
Three Rivers.				
Abare,	69	79	77	225
Vient,	66	79	64	209
Provost,	68	80	70	218
Story,	75	65	67	207
Burnette,	80	81	71	232
Total,	358	384	349	1091

McKenzie's 1970, McCrea's 1896.

McKenzie's team defeated McCrea's team on the Thorndike alleys Tuesday evening by 74 pins. The score:

McKenzie's.				
Nephew,	106	94	89	289
McKenzie,	165	191	152	508
Bressette,	122	111	125	358
Bondville,	103	148	145	396
Robinson,	122	146	151	419
Total,	618	690	662	1970
McCrea's.				
Norton,	235	144	143	422
Tabor,	101	88	141	330
F. Longtine,	139	101	101	341
E. Longtine,	127	96	134	357
McCrea,	163	123	160	446
Total,	665	552	679	1896

The Thorndike team defeated the Bondsville team on Tufts's alleys Wednesday evening by three points in the series of the candlepin league. Hayes of Bondsville rolled 100 in his first string, but Riley equaled his total of 252. The summary:

Thorndike.				
Vasha,	75	72	80	227
Cahill,	74	84	77	235
Lafarr,	69	86	83	238
Arecotte,	74	80	92	246
Riley,	82	85	85	252
Total,	374	407	417	1198
Bondsville.				
Moore,	70	77	74	221
Moriarty,	79	70	71	220
Sharratt,	83	72	74	229
Hayes,	100	71	81	252
Bowler,	67	82	81	230
Total,	399	372	381	1152

Firemen Win By Four Points.

The firemen won all four points [illegible]ters on match last evening with th[illegible] Tufts's alleys. The sc[illegible]

[illegible]	94	91	116	301
[illegible]	187	154	173	514
Fuller,	134	187	149	470
Parker,	126	170	171	467
Wilcox,	114	117	129	360
Total,	655	719	738	2112
Butchers.				
Stacy,	103	100	125	328
Gunn,	148	122	105	375
Kempton,	129	137	117	383
Shaw,	134	127	145	406
Thompson,	138	126	122	386
Total,	652	612	614	1278

Thorndike 1268, Three Rivers 1029.

The Thorndike team defeated the Three Rivers team on the Thorndike alleys Wednesday evening by 68 pins. The score:

Thorndike.				
E. Gay,	71	78	80	229
Holden,	70	58	69	197
Crean,	66	48	50	164
B. Gay,	84	79	77	240
Clark,	81	76	76	238
Total,	372	344	352	1068
Three Rivers.				
[illegible]	72	72	70	214
Provo,	68	72	67	207
Gervais,	69	65	71	205
Mabot,	68	67	71	206
Barber,	58	78	61	197
Total,	335	354	340	1029

Standing in Leagues.

The standing of the players in the bowling league up to this week is as follows:

Name.	Club.	Pinfall.	Strings.	Ave.
Burnett,	T. R.	1042	12	86
Bowler,	B.	987	12	82
Tufts,	P.	874	12	81
Roche,	P.	970	12	80
Moore,	B.	953	12	79
McBride,	P.	951	12	79
Ahearn,	P.	943	12	78
Holden,	P.	942	12	78
Arecotte,	T.	929	12	77
Sharratt,	B.	929	12	77
Robinson,	T.	928	12	77
Riley,	T.	921	12	76
Hayes,	B.	915	12	76
Vient,	T. R.	911	12	75
Moriarty,	B.	904	12	75
Abare,	T. R.	896	12	74
Provost,	T. R.	866	12	72
Lafarr,	T.	863	12	71
Story,	T. R.	247	3	82
Vasha,	T.	207	3	69

Palmer Candlepin League.

Club.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Palmer,	11	5	.687
Bondsville,	9	7	.563
Thorndike,	7	9	.437
Three Rivers,	5	11	.313

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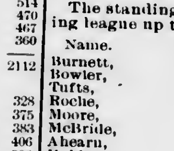

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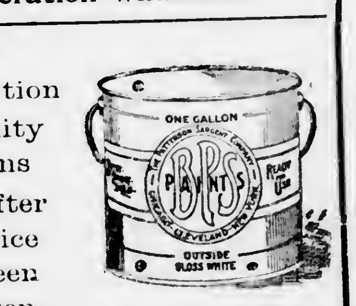

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"Beef stew or lamb stew?" said the interrogative table girl to the new boarder at Mrs. Hash's. "Why have you two kinds of stew and no other meat?" asked the inquisitive young man. "This is stewsday, isn't it?"—Tit-Bits.

A little girl was greatly frightened night before last and woke her mother up to tell her about it. The child had a nightmare, and said that she had had an awful dream. Then she confessed that she had dreamed that she was in Heaven.—Puck.

A minister was horrified one Sunday to see a boy in the gallery of the church pelting the people in the pews below with horse chestnuts. As the good man looked up the boy cried out: "You 'tend to the preaching, mister, I'll keep 'em awake."

"Uncle Ephraim, what do you do for a living?" "I preaches an' I raises punkins, boss." "Which pays you the better?" "Well, o' co'se, I gits mo' money out'n de punkins, but I gits 'nuff distinction out'n de preachin' to make up de diff'unce, boss."—Chicago Tribune.

"Thar goes ole Si Grumble," remarked the loafer at the general store. "Kickin' again. That man's the worst feller ter hunt trouble." "Hain't as bad as my hired man," drawled Farmer Plodden. "He's the worst I ever see. He jest run off with my wife."—London Chronicle.

"Doctor," said the beautiful young woman who became the wife of a rich old man. "Tell me the worst. I will be brave and try to bear it." Leading her gently from her suffering husband's side the doctor's answered: "Nerve yourself, then, for a terrible shock. He's going to get well."—Punt.

Something missing.—One day three-years-old Margie was passing through the market with her mother, and, seeing a strange looking object, she asked what it was. "Why, my dear, that's a head of cabbage," replied her mother. "Z'n where's its mouf an' eyeses?" asked the puzzled little miss."—Exchange.

Pretty daughter—"Mr. Jones proposed to me last night, mamma." Shrewd mother—"Did you accept him?" Pretty daughter—"Yes, mamma." Shrewd mother—"Has he any money?" Pretty daughter—"He has an income of $1500 a year." Shrewd mother—"Well, handle him carefully till spring, my dear, but try to pick up something better during the winter."—Chicago News.

Under Suspicion

[Original.]

Phil Boutelle and I worked for assayers. Phil was a redheaded, freckled, generally homely fellow, attentive to business and despite has unprepossessing appearance very attractive to women. This I accounted for from his smooth tongue. He could say more flattering things to a girl in a few minutes than I could say in a week. Indeed his remarks were such palpable flattery that I wondered the girls would swallow them.

There came a leakage in the gold dust passing through our hands, and I was suspected of being the thief. Up to this time Florence March and I had been getting on admirably, but now one day I heard Boutelle pay her one of his sickening compliments, and from that time she seemed to be completely under his influence. Then I heard that Boutelle had accused me.

The leakage in the dust was very small, but it was constant, so that in course of time it must be very large. The thief had some method of carrying it away in infinitesimal quantities, but with great regularity. I was called into a private office one evening after stopping work and searched. The other clerks were put through a similar process, but nothing was found on any of us. I was put under special surveillance, and it was not long before I discovered that a new man who had come into the assaying room and who appeared to have taken a desperate fancy to me was watching me.

Florence March gave me to understand that she did not believe I was guilty, but instead of resuming her former relations with me she accepted more and more Phil Boutelle's attentions. I charged her with her perfidy, which, though it pained her, made no difference in her treatment of my rival and accuser. My position was indeed painful. Conscious of being suspected by my employers and fellow clerks and watched by a spy, I saw the girl who should have stood by me associating on terms of intimacy with the man whom I believed responsible for the suspicion resting upon me. Boutelle endeavored to maintain friendly relations with me, but I spurned him.

But one day the tables were turned. I missed Boutelle from his work and upon inquiring learned that he had been arrested the night before. During the morning I was called into the office of my employers, and an apology was made to me for the spying that had been done on my movements.

"You have discovered the thief?" I asked.

"Yes."

"To a certainty?"

"Yes."

"How was the discovery accomplished?"

"That is a secret."

I returned to my work and that afternoon passed Florence March on the street. Now that I was vindicated and the man she had taken up with in my stead was known to be the guilty party, I felt that I could show her my opinion of her conduct with a better grace than before. I walked by her without looking at her.

Boutelle pleaded guilty, so there was no evidence brought forth to show how his iniquity had been discovered. This was very disappointing to me. One day soon after he had disappeared from the world, while I was in the private office of my employers, I asked if I would ever know how the culprit had been discovered.

"Why do you wish to know?"

"Because a girl whom I respected deserted me for him, though he accused me of the crime of which he was himself guilty. I am curious to know more on her account."

"Do you refer to Miss March?"

"I do."

After a few words whispered between them one of the partners said:

"Miss March discovered Boutelle's rascality."

I was thunderstruck. "How did she do it?" I asked.

"For that you must go to her."

I hurried to Florence. She came down to see me, maintaining a reserve.

"I am told you discovered the thief," I said. "Would you mind telling me how you accomplished it?"

"I suspected him from the moment I heard he accused you. Besides, he was too broad with his compliments. It seemed to me they were intended to cover some object."

"You mean that?"

"Certainly."

"And why did you desert me for him?"

"To rescue you from the position you occupied."

"And how did you do that?"

"I tried to win his confidence, but failed."

"Well?"

"I can't tell you any more. You will blame me."

"No," I said, now knowing that she had saved me. "I will not blame you. I now believe in you thoroughly."

"Well, I permitted him to become so intimate that one evening he sat so near as to put his head just above my shoulder. When I went to my room I saw something sparkle on my dress. I brushed it into a china cup, and it proved to be gold dust. I gave the information, a detective was put on Boutelle's track, and it was found that he had been carrying gold dust away in his hair, which was of a convenient color to conceal it. The discovery came from his washing his hair every day when he went to his room after leaving the office."

"And why did you not confide in me?"

"You would have spoiled everything by making an accusation without a bit of proof. It was very hard for me"—

Her voice trembled. I took her in my arms, and that is the end of the story.

FLORENCE ETHEL CROSBY.

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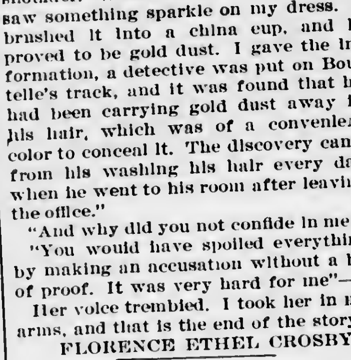

"What's the big book you've got?"

"It's a doctor's book I found. Now I can find a whole lot of new diseases for my dolls to have."—New York Evening Journal.

A Pres...

Kifter—That's a nic... umbrella you've got. Lifter—Yes, it ... a present. Kifter—Indeed! Who ...e it to you? Lifter—Nobody gave ...o me, but it has an inscription o... showing that it was "presented t... John F. Jones," whoever that is. E...change.

A NOBLE LIE

[Original.]

During that period of the American Revolution when Washington was at Morristown, Captain Leon Slade fell desperately in love with Alene MacArdle, the comeliest maiden of that New Jersey village. But the young lady's heart was already given to Theodore Hutchinson, a Tory lieutenant in the British army.

One evening Captain Slade went to call upon Miss MacArdle to plead a cause that he knew was hopeless. He rapped several times with the brass knocker before being admitted, and then it was Alene who opened the door. On seeing Slade she paled, but recovered herself at once and cordially invited him into the living room. The two seated themselves before the great open fireplace, on which blazed a heap of logs, and Slade used every argument at his command to induce the girl to give up her Tory lover and marry him. She was an ardent American, but she loved Theodore Hutchinson and declined firmly though kindly to give him up. During the interview she was ill at ease, constantly casting glances over her shoulder, as if expecting to see something she dreaded. To lose the girl, without whom his life would not be worth living, through a redcoat worked the young man into a frenzy, and he vowed that he would go into the British lines, call his rival out and shoot him.

He had scarcely uttered the words, spoken in the heat of passion, when the closed door opened, and Theodore Hutchinson, in citizen's dress, stepped out, his eyes flashing and his face hot with anger.

"You do not need Captain Slade," he said, "to come into our lines to call me out. I am here to give you all the satisfaction you require."

While the two men stood regarding each other defiantly, their choler rendering them oblivious of the danger of the situation to Hutchinson, Alene was bitterly cognizant of it. Stepping between them, she held the palm of a hand to each, meaning to forbid their meeting, and said:

"Theodore, are you mad? Suppose Captain Slade should consider it his duty to inform upon your presence here. Being in civilian's dress, you will be arrested and hanged."

The remark brought Slade to his senses. He was conscious that Miss MacArdle had stated his duty exactly. A change came over his face that bespoke his thoughts.

"A man," said Hutchinson, with a sneer, "who would attempt to force himself on a lady who is betrothed to another would not hesitate to take so base a method of getting rid of his rival."

The imputation lashed Slade into a fury. "There is but one solution," he said, "to this matter. Let Miss MacArdle withdraw, and we will settle the matter right here with swords. If I die, I shall not need to turn you in for what you are—a spy. If you die, you cannot carry back information of our condition."

"Agreed," said Hutchinson, with ever increasing wrath.

Alene stood aghast. At that moment the front door opened, and the commander in chief walked into the house. He was in frequent consultation with Mr. MacArdle and came and went at his pleasure. Entering the living room, he bowed deferentially to Miss MacArdle, returned Captain Slade's salute with a nod, glanced at Hutchinson, whom he had never seen, and asked Miss MacArdle if he could see her father. She managed to gather sufficient voice to say that he was not at home. The general was about to withdraw when the embarrassed appearance of every one of the party arrested his attention.

"I have not been introduced to your friend," he said to Miss MacArdle, looking scrutinizingly at Lieutenant Hutchinson.

There are times when a noble man by nature will temporarily look above his duty. Captain Slade's nobility came out like a flash.

"My friend, rather, general," he said. "Mr. Parks is a friend of mine whom I have brought to call upon Miss MacArdle."

The general looked from one to the other. "These are critical times," he said, "and it behooves us to be guarded. But since you vouch for the gentleman, Captain Slade, I am satisfied. Only pledge him if he does not belong here not to reveal our condition when he leaves. He has the face of a gentleman and can be trusted."

With that the commander withdrew. As soon as he had gone Miss MacArdle said hurriedly:

"Splendid man! He suspected us, but was content to leave the matter in our hands. Promise me, Theodore, that you will reveal nothing you have seen."

"I promise."

"Now go," said Alene.

"Not before I have expressed my gratitude to the rival who held a terrible vengeance in his hand and instead of casting it upon me told his commander the noblest lie ever uttered by mortal lips."

"Since I have your promise," replied Slade, "a promise which I have no doubt you will keep, and the implied permission of the general in chief to permit you to return to your lines, I will be happy to insure your safe exit through our vedettes by escorting you myself. You owe your life to the man who knew by instinct that you had come here through love or friendship."

The men left the house together, and Hutchinson was passed through the American lines. He lost his life soon after at the battle of Monmouth, and Slade afterward married Miss MacArdle. She had been won from the moment he had told his splendid lie!

MARY T. ELLIOTT.

A Natural Inference.

They were discussing the couple in the next flat. The husband is silent and reserved, while the wife is a gossip and the most inveterate borrower. Food of all kinds, articles of clothing, money and everything that is capable of being borrowed she endeavors to get from the neighbors on one pretense or another. Some surprise was expressed that her husband should have chosen her as a partner for life when a little girl who was listening created considerable amusement by exclaiming:

"Perhaps she borrowed him too."—New York Press.

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The Deserted House

[Original.]

My automobile was powerful, but the snow was falling fast, and the wind was hurling it about wildly. I passed through a village where the lamps shone dimly through the circling flakes, but they were bright compared with the black road into which I plunged beyond the town limits. My four acetylene lamps forced a circular hole in the darkness, and there would have been no difficulty in my getting on had not the snow increased, while the wind, rising to fury, blew it into drifts. My pace grew slower, and with each drift I was in danger of being stalled. The cold was intense, and I began to grow sleepy.

At last I was stalled. My lamps showed me, not fifty yards ahead, a stone bridge, beyond which the road forked at the foot of a large tree. Beyond on the left fork I thought I saw a light. Putting on all the force there was in my machine, I plowed through the snow and drew up in front of a massive stone house, with pillars rising the whole height of the building, such a house as was in vogue about 1840.

I rapped with the brass knocker, and a man opened the door. He was not a servant, but a well to do looking person of the country class.

I told him my story, and he invited me to take my automobile around to a shed in the rear and to spend the night in his house. When I returned from the shed, he met me at a back door, brushed the snow off me and led me into the living room, where his wife and children were sitting about a blazing wood fire.

There was something uncanny about these people, and for my life I couldn't tell what it was. They were all as white as if they had been long ill and seemed hungry, not for food, for they gave me a supper, never touching a morsel themselves, but for something the nature of which I could not guess. The wife and mother spread her hands before the fire to warm them, and I could see the flame behind, not through red blood, but white flesh. The children, too, had a blue-white look about them that made me cold. I attempted to caress a little girl of six years, seizing her hand, but she quickly drew it away, and I was glad she did, for it was cold and stiff, not the least of that warm softness in it usual to childhood. I was glad when my host showed me to a sleeping room.

In the night I awoke suddenly with suffocation. A mouth was glued to mine, and some one was drawing my breath from my body. I was just in time to place my hands upon a pair of shoulders and hurl the figure away. In another moment I would have been powerless. Gasping, I awaited the person's return, but when no one came I listened. There was no sound, and after a time I wondered if I had not had a spasmodic closing at the mouth of the windpipe and dreamed the rest. I was all in a tremor and resolved to remain awake for the rest of the night. Nevertheless I became drowsy, and the last I remember was struggling with sleep.

I was awakened by some one shaking me, the mouth of a flask put between my lips and liquor in my mouth. I swallowed a considerable draft, after which I opened my eyes to be blinded by a powerful light, the light from an automobile. Two men were chafing me. When assured that I was alive they told me that they were passing in their automobile and had found me in mine apparently frozen. They had reached me just in time to save me.

Ahead of me was the stone bridge I had seen, beyond which the road forked at the foot of the oak tree. I was still stuck in the drift from which I thought I had gone to the house farther on. I said nothing to my rescuers about this, and after they had turned my machine I went with them back to the village, where I spent the remainder of the night.

The next morning was bright, cold and still, and after a hot breakfast I proceeded on my way, passed the point where I had been stalled and pushed on by the left fork. What was my astonishment to see that the house at which I had stayed the night before was where I thought it. But instead of being occupied it was deserted.

I was paralyzed with a frightful dread. Fortunately I had nothing to do but hold the steering wheel to put the horrible place behind me. Reaching a farm house a short distance beyond, I stopped and, leaving my automobile, knocked. A woman came to the door.

"You know the house half a mile back on this side of the road—stone house, big pillars?"

"Yes."

"Any one lived there lately?"

"Not since a few years after it was built."

"How so?"

"I've heard the family that lived in it all died of cholera somewhere in the fifties."

I caught at the railing of the porch.

"Ever heard anything—strange—about the place?"

"Oh, yes. There's lots of talk. I don't believe any of it, but I can't get any of my children to go past it in the dark. One story is that the dead sometimes try to suck the life out of the living, and this family"—

I waited to hear no more. Staggering to my automobile, I pulled myself in, managed to turn the starting gear and went flying away, bent only on putting miles between me and the house where I did not doubt the dead had taken me for the purpose of appropriating a life that was on the eve of leaving its body.

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Appropriation Meeting.

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finally withdrawn. It was plainly shown that the voters had little respect for officials who take every opportunity to dip into the public treasury without express authority. The selectmen were asked why the macadam road built on Park street in the Depot village was not mentioned in the town report, but vouchsafed no answer. Their report was accepted.

The tax collector came in for another overhauling this year, the first question being whether $117 of sidewalk assessments of 1901 has been collected or abated. Mr. Hawkes replied that be had been able to collect from but one person, all the others had refused. He did not know by whom they had been placed on his book, nor by whom abated, or if they had ever been abated. He had not asked the selectmen to abate them and did not know that he had to apply to the selectmen for abatement of sidewalk assessments. (The selectmen are the only officials having power to place sidewalk assessments on the tax collector's book, and the only officials having power to abate such assessments.) T. W. Kenefick suggested that with the tax collector, the assessors and the selectmen all present, it ought to be easy to determine what had become of them—but it wasn't. It was finally brought out that they had never been abated, except as included in a lump abatement made by the assessors. D. F. Dillon, in regard to abatements of taxes, stated that the tax collector had reported that abatements had been made but that he, Mr. Dillon, had been unable to discover any, and charged that not the first proper step toward any abatements had been taken by any official. The only legal method is for the collector to make a sworn return to the assessors, in writing, of those taxes he thinks are uncollectable, and they in return give him a written list of abatements, signed by them. Mr. Dillon stated that he had asked for a list of abatements, and that the assessors had finally admitted that no abatements had ever been made except in a lump sum. Mr. Kenefick roundly scored the assessors for their method of doing business, when on the legality of abatements might depend thousands of dollars of expense to the town in pauper settlements, and wanted to know if they proposed to continue in the same old way; he thought they ought either to explain their delinquency or offer an abject apology. Only Mr. Warriner of the board was present, who replied that he had made some abatements, but did not know if they were legal or not. The tax collector was asked if he had ever made a sworn return of probable abatements to the assessors, and replied that he had not; he then asked if anyone ever knew of such a return being made, and was told that neither the tax collector nor the assessors had made a legal move in the direction of abatements for years. Asked why he had not printed a list of delinquents in the town report as ordered, the collector replied that he dared not do it, and had been advised not to, but admitted that he had not got that advice from the town counsel; counsel had advised him to publish abatements, but he had not done so. Asked why he had not followed instruction regarding the collection of the 1902-3 taxes, he replied on the ground of expense to poor people who were the delinquents. His report was indefinitely postponed.

Discussion of the report of the cemetery commissioners brought out the point that their appropriation was drawn in a lump sum from the treasury and expended by them. It was also disclosed that the item "H. G. Loomis, labor in cemeteries, $27," was probably the greater part of it for services as clerk of the board, in direct defiance of the expressed will of the voters against such last year, when the treasurer was instructed to demand its repayment from him. The voters were not to be fooled by the way the matter was placed in the report, and a sharper rebuke than mere indefinitely postponing the report was urged. It was accordingly voted that "The report of the cemetery commissioners be *not* accepted," the vote being unanimous and so recorded by direction.

The salary of the tax collector will be $500 if he has all the taxes but $1000 collected by February 1; if not, he will receive only $300. C. D. Fuller asked if he was to receive $500 or $300 for last year, as his books showed that he had not collected all but $1000 by Feb. 1, but had a short time later; no information was forthcoming. Treasurer Holbrook was asked about the matter, but couldn't tell without his books, which he hadn't with him. Mr. Hawkes was instructed to collect by legal process all taxes unpaid Jan. 1, and thought the time between that and Feb. 1 was too short, but was told that he could begin his process as far in advance of that as might be necessary to accomplish the matter, although it was suggested that it was useless to give him any instructions, as his conduct had shown plainly that he paid no attention to them and didn't intend to. Later in the day the selectmen were instructed to give to the tax collector as soon as possible the unpaid sidewalk assessments and bills for sewer entrances, and he was *ordered* to proceed forthwith to collect them.

A sharp criticism of Road Commissioner Brainerd was made by D. F. Dillon over a motion to expend $300 of the highway appropriation in improving the road near the wire mill. Mr. Brainerd assured the meeting of his willingness to attend to the matter, but Mr. Dillon declined to take his word for it until all the selectmen had expressed their willingness, when the motion was withdrawn.

The committee appointed to install a card index system for the assessors reported that the system had been procured but the assessors refused to use it and the attempt was a failure.

There was no opposition to the proposition to build an addition to the high school building. The committee made a comprehensive report showing the absolute necessity, and the $20,000 needed was voted without a murmur. This committee was appointed to erect the building: D. F. Dillon, G. M. Atkins, W. H. Norton, C. P. Haynes, R. L. Bond, C. L. Waid, T. W. Kenefick.

The license money will be used to reduce the tax levy, as will a small unexpended balance in the treasury, after paying a $3300 note from the balance at the end of the year.

The treasurer was authorized, in order to provide funds for current expenses, to borrow a sum not to exceed $30,000, to be paid from the taxes of the year when collected. To provide money for the addition to the high school it was voted to issue 20-year bonds, at a rate of interest not exceeding $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

ART. 2. To choose two or more Field Drivers, Measurers of Wood and Bark, and all other usual town officers.

Measurers of wood and bark, R. L. Bond, C. P. Haynes, J. M. Allen. Field drivers, P. M. Shearer Sr., John P. Crowley. Tree warden, C. H. Keith.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to hire the present tramp room and lockup.

Yes.

ART. 10. To see if the town will allow a discount and determine what interest shall be paid on the taxes to be assessed for the ensuing year.

Interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum to be added after October 1st; all taxes unpaid January 1, 1905, to be collected by process of law. The town clerk was instruct... notify the ta... ...tor of this vote...

has all but $1000 collected by February 1; if not, his salary is to be $300.

ART. 12. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

Left with the selectmen.

ART. 13. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

Appropriated $100.

ART. 14. To act on the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

Accepted after adding the name of James D. McGrath.

ART. 19. To see what action the town will take in regard to lighting the streets, and whether it will authorize the Selectmen to make contract therefor.

$4500 appropriated and left in hands of selectmen.

ART. 20. To see what action the town will take in reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees.

Indefinitely postponed.

ART. 22. To see what action the town will take in regard to sidewalks.

$1000 appropriated.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to maintain night police in the several villages, and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Yes; $1600 appropriated.

ART. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for necessary aid to soldiers and sailors and their families, and the families of the slain, and entrust the same to L. L. Merrick Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, under the provisions of law.

Yes; $200 appropriated.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in Park street in the Depot Village from its intersection with Walnut street to its intersection with Thorndike street and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Yes; $550 appropriated.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to extend the sewer in South Main street in the Depot Village to a point opposite the car barn and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Yes; $300 appropriated.

ART. 28. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the erection of a hood, or other protection against water from the roof, over the door entering the Memorial Hall from Pleasant street, or take any action relative thereto.

Yes; $75 appropriated.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to locate an arc electric light on the common at Palmer Center.

Indefinitely postponed.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to construct a sidewalk from the car station near the Catholic cemetery to the common at Palmer Center and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Yes; $30 appropriated.

ART. 31. To see what action, if any, the town will take in reference to claims for labor, teams, and material in connection with the construction of the masonry for the Burleigh bridge as follows: Philip LaFlam, $13.50; Michael McKelligott, $41.25; John J. Daley, $1.00; John Connor, $16.62; Peter Wemette, $16.75; Edward Wemette, $17.25; W. E. Kenyon, $4.81; M. F. Bowler, $25.00; Michael St.John, $16.78; Michael Laford, $25.40; C. D. Holbrook Company, $23.80; J. F. Holbrook & Son, $16.51; a total of $221.67.

Voted to pay, after adding a bill of M. H. Loftus for $8, making a total of $229.67.

ART. 32. To see what action the town will take, if any, relative to the claim of Hamilton & King for labor and materials employed and furnished and for expenses paid and incurred in connection with the construction of the masonry for the Burleigh bridge.

Indefinitely postponed.

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to enlarge the High School building and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Yes; $20,000 appropriated.

ART. 34. To see what action the town will take regarding the maintenance of evening schools.

Referred to the school committee for investigation, with orders to report at the next annual town meeting.

ART. 35. To see if the town will vote to elect its Selectmen and Assessors in the manner authorized and provided in Section 339 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws.

Voted to elect the assessors according to this provision.

ART. 36. To see if the town will appoint a committee to investigate the sources of a water supply for the town, to collect facts and data and make surveys of routes for conduits and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Yes; $1000 appropriated.

ART. 38. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 336 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws relative to the election of a highway surveyor.

Yes.

ART. 39. To see if the town will vote to buy a portable stone crushing plant and raise and appropriate money for the same.

$1300 appropriated.

ART. 40. To see if the town will vote to have the records of lay-out of highways and town ways, location of pole lines, and similar orders, indexed, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Yes; $50 appropriated.

ART. 41. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Revised Laws, Chapter 11, Section 335, relative to the election of the Town Clerk for the term of three years.

Yes.

ART. 42. To see if the town will vote to locate an electric light at the corner of East and Pleasant streets in Bondsville.

Indefinitely postponed.

ART. 43. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer extension in East street, Bondsville, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Indefinitely postponed.

ART. 44. To see if the town will accept and allow a town way as laid out by the Selectmen as follows: Beginning at a stone bound on the Westerly side and at the Southerly terminus of Grove street as laid out by the Selectmen in March, 1889, and running thence S. 18° 10' E. 190 ... Wood ... the line described ... erly boundary line begins at a point bearing N. 59° E. and forty-nine and one half (49½) feet distant from the stone bound first mentioned and from this point the street gradually narrows to 30 feet in width at its Southerly terminus.

Yes.

ART. 45. To see if the town will vote to permit the Roman Catholic Society of St. Anne's Church to make burials in its cemetery on the highway leading from Three Rivers to Thorndike nearer than 10 rods from said highway, or take any action relative thereto.

Yes.

The full list of the appropriations to be raised by taxation is:

Schools,		$26,550.
Highways,		5,000.
Sewers and Culverts,		600.
Bridges,		1,000.
Railings,		400.
Precinct Officers and Voting Places,		250.
Rent of Lockup,		90.
Care of Lockup,		100.
Salary of Selectmen,	450.	
Assessors,	550.	
Auditors,	40.	
Treasurer,	300.	
Tree Warden,	50.	
Board of Health,	100.	
Overseers of Poor,	400.	
Tax Collector,	500.	2,390.
Use of Board of Health,		800.
Contingencies,		3,000.
Cemeteries,		400.
Memorial Day,		100.
Young Men's Library Association,		1,000.
Street Lights,		4,500.
Night Police,		1,600.
Sidewalks,		1,000.
Soldiers' and Sailors' Aid,		200.
Support of Poor,		8,000.
Prosecuting Illegal Liquor Sales,		100.
Bonds of Town Officers,		145.
Water Supply Committee,		1,000.
South Main Street Sewer, Depot Village,		350.
Park Street Sewer, Depot Village,		550.
Labor Claims, Burleigh Bridge,		229 67
Sidewalk at Palmer Center,		30.
Hood for Memorial Hall entrance,		75.
Claim of The C. D. Holbrook Co.,		500.
Indexing Street and Pole Locations,		50.
Stone Crusher,		1,300.
Interest,		3,700.
Use of Bookkeeping Committee,		50.
Total,		$65,159 67

BRIMFIELD.

W. L. Newton of Springfield spent the first of the week at his home in Brimfield.

Mrs. Moses H. Baker of Springfield has been spending the week with Brimfield friends.

Mrs. M. H. Baker of Springfield has been the guest of Mrs. George M. Hitchcock.

The body of Mrs. Carrie Moore Janes of Westfield, widow of Edwin Janes, was brought to Brimfield for burial Saturday.

John H. Noyes, who has spent several months in this place, returned Monday to his business in New York and Pennsylvania.

The body of Miss Anna Cutler of Springfield, formerly of Brimfield, will be brought here for burial to-morrow. There will be services in the church parlor at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

Miss Caroline Seller, Miss Nellie M. Haley and Charles Seller of Turners Falls, Miss Katherine Haley and Miss May Wilder of Palmer spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Haley in Dunhamtown.

The drama "Mr. Bob" was given in the town hall Friday evening by the senior class of the Academy. The cast of characters was as follows: Philip Royson, Walter I. Eaton; Robert Brown, Walter J. Ferguson; Jenkins, Fred H. Chamberlain; Rebecca Luke, Alice M. Hicks; Katherine ... Alice M. Lombard; Marion ... L. Marsh; Patty, Mary C. ... parts were well taken, and ...markably good.

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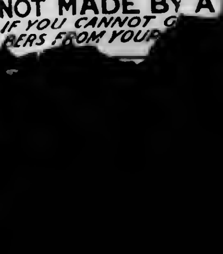

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